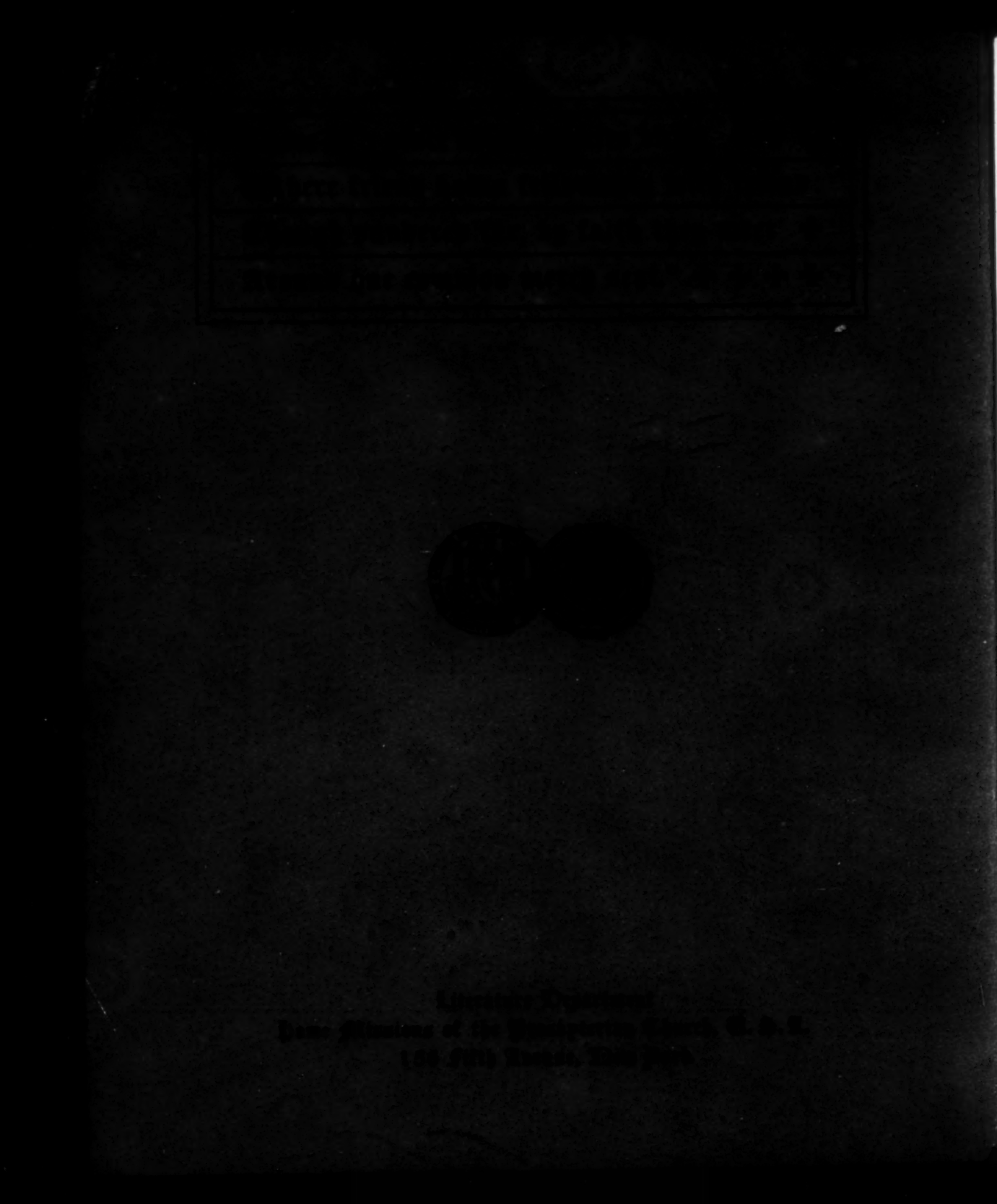

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LORD, what a change within us one short hour
Spent in Thy presence will prevail to make!
What heavy burdens from our bosoms take,
What parched grounds revive as with a shower!
We kneel, and all around us seems to lower;
We rise, and all the distant and the near
Stand forth, a sunny outline, brave and clear.

WE kneel, how weak! We rise, how full of power!
Why, wherefore should we do ourselves this wrong,
Or others, that we are not always strong;
That we are ever overborne with care;
That we should ever weak or heartless be,
Anxious or troubled, when with us is prayer,
And joy and strength and courage are with Thee!

January

Happiness

IT shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy GOD, to observe to do all His commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy GOD will set thee on high above all the nations of the earth: and all these blessings shall come upon thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy GOD.

The LORD bless thee and keep thee:

The LORD make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee:

The LORD lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

The LORD will bless His people with peace.

(For references see Deut. xxviii: 1-2; Numbers vi: 24-26; Ps. xxix: 11.)

FRI. 1 **The Home Board Department of Immigration** is a clearing house for the immigrant problem. It seeks to give information; suggest practical methods of work; create a literature on Christian citizenship, social economy and evangelical Christianity; and to commission missionaries for work among foreign-speaking people.

Happy is the people whose God is the Lord.—Ps. cxliv: 15.

SAT. 2 **Immigration Bureau of the United States Government** seeks to safeguard the interests of our citizenship, present and prospective, by the enforcement of reasonable laws of inspection and exclusion; to encourage and direct immigrants of good character and sound bodies to make their homes among us.

Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help.—Ps. cxlvi: 5.

SUN. 3 **General Movements.** The co-ordination of work at ports of entry with inland enterprises; uniting with other denominations in non-sectarian work; the encouragement of movements among foreign-speaking people who, having caught the American spirit, seek to break away from old country religious and political superstitions.

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom.—Prov. iii: 13.

"The Royalty of Inward Happiness"

Daily renew in me, O Lord, the sense of Joy, and let the Eternal Spirit of the Father dwell in my soul and body, filling every corner of my heart with light and grace, so that bearing about with me the infection of a good courage, I may be a diffuser of life, and may meet all ills and cross accidents with gallant and high-hearted happiness, giving Thee thanks always for all things. Amen.*

"Listlessness and discouragement sin against God, who put us into a world where so much wants doing—in other words, into a world so full of possibilities of happiness. It is pure joy to feel that a thing really needs doing, and that we can do it. God gives us work with one hand and power with the other, which means giving us happiness with both hands."

"Surely, in looking back on this life from the next, the most astounding thing to us will be the way in which we wilfully lived in the cellars of life, and crept about in a lame, dispirited way, instead of claiming our rights in the house of life and coming up boldly into the sunny, spacious rooms where God meant us to live."

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The New Americans.
"Out of the remote and little known regions of Europe forever marches a vast and endless army, nondescript and ever-changing in personnel, without leaders or organization. This great force, moving at the rate of nearly 1,500,000 each year, is invading the civilized world."

FRI 1

The Question to be Answered.
"We may well ask whether this insweeping immigration is to foreignize us, or we are to Americanize it. Our safety demands the assimilation of these strange populations, and the process of assimilation becomes slower and more difficult as the proportion of foreigners increases."

SAT 2

A Clear Vision Needed.
"The first need of American Protestantism is for clear vision to discern the supreme issues involved in immigration, and so see Christian obligation as to rise to the mission of evangelizing these representatives of all nations gathered on American soil."

SUN 3

January — *The Immigrant's Pilgrimage.*

MON. 4 **Conditions from Which Immigrants Come.** Hungry, oppressed, exploited, deceived,—they are coming to America, the land of promise, at the rate of a million a year.

He that hath pity on the poor, happy is he.—Prov. xiv: 21.

TUES. 5 **Ports of Entry.** New York is the most important, but other cities on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts offer opportunities for welcome and intelligent direction to the immigrant, under Christian auspices.

Whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he.—Prov. xvi: 20.

WED. 6 **Sections to Which Immigrants Go.** Principally the cities of the North and Middle West. Influenced by segregative tendencies, they form their "Ghettos," "Little Italys" and "Bohemian Hills," retaining their old-country ideas and customs.

He that keepeth the law, happy is he.—Prov. xxix: 18.

THU. 7 **Breaking Family Ties.** Leaving wives and children behind, these stalwart sons of toil work hard—ofttimes with breaking hearts —to establish homes to which later they may invite their loved ones.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.—Matt. v: 4.

FRI. 8 **Migration of Immigrants.** Dependent upon their daily work for a living, their movements are determined by economic conditions. Hence they often move from place to place and are frequently victims of unscrupulous employment agencies, "fake" banks, and dishonest transportation officials.

Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth.—Job v: 17.

SAT. 9 **Democracy Discovered.** Here they find religious and political freedom; a man's chance to make the most of himself; and economic liberty such as they never knew before.

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation.—James i: 12.

SUN. 10 **The Call of the Homeland.** Family ties, spare money deposited in foreign banks, governmental pleadings for loyalty, and inducements offered by steamship companies sometimes persuade the immigrant to return to his home,—but he becomes a missionary, telling of the glories—and the sins,—of "great" America.

Behold, we count them happy which endure.—James v: 11.

"'Tis a comely fashion to be glad.
Joy is the grace we say to God."

January

Work for Immigrant Women and Children.
Recent resolutions of the Board of Home Missions set forth work among the families of the immigrants as an appropriate field for the enlarging energies of the Woman's Board. The women of the Church are alert to seize their opportunity and have already entered some newly opened doors.

MON 4

The Emily Yale Schools. (Chicago, Illinois), 1896.
These Mission Kindergartens were called into being by the needs of thousands of little children under six years of age playing and almost living in the streets of Chicago. At that time the public schools had made almost no provision for the very little ones.

TUE 5

Olivet School. (Penn and Vedder Streets.)
Miss B. Lorenz, teacher.
The transformations effected in a few months were marvellous. The practical lessons in love and kindliness, the spirit of the morning circle, the lesson from the Bible, quickly bore fruit in the lives of the children.

WED 6

May Street School. (May Street and Nineteenth Place.)
Miss H. C. Duncan, teacher; Miss E. Zezula, visitor.
The May Street School is in the center of a Bohemian population of 112,000. The work comprises kindergarten, sewing school, kitchen garden, free dispensary, circulating library, penny savings bank, boys' and girls' clubs, and evening classes for boys.

THU 7

West Division Street School. (336 West Division Street.)
Misses Mary C. Neff and Rose Ross, teachers.
Since the opening of the schools the membership of Olivet Church has increased from sixty to over three hundred. The May Street Mission has led also to the establishment of schools by other denominations.

FRI 8

Industrial Work in Above Schools.
Miss E. Schneider, teacher.
Through these influences and the visits from the teachers, the older girls were gathered into sewing classes, and together with the boys into the Sunday School. There are now three hundred girls in the sewing classes.

SAT 9

Mothers' Meetings.
The kindergarten directors conduct Mothers' Clubs, at which talks are given on everything pertaining to the physical, mental and spiritual life of the child and mother. The West Division Street Club has seventy members.

SUN 10

January — *Social Questions Demanding Solution.*

MON. 11 **Assimilation and Distribution.** How may we prepare the immigrant to become a real part of our national life, and where does he best fit into it? To what extent should immigration be restricted?

If ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye.—I Pet. iii: 14.

TUES. 12 **Influence of Materialistic Socialism and Revolutionary Anarchy.** Coming from a land where his privileges were restricted, the immigrant has become a prey to social agitators. Sometimes the false economic doctrines accepted abroad influence his relationships in America.

Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters.—Isa. xxxii: 20.

WED. 13 **The Saloon as a Factor.** The temperance movement in America will find its strongest opponents in the voters among the foreign element in our cities.

Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven.—Ps. xxxii: 1.

THU. 14 **Violation of the Sabbath.** Accustomed to the "Continental Sunday," the immigrant often finds it hard to accept our method of observing the Lord's Day, and with vigor does he seek to break it down.

Blessed are all they that wait for Him.—Isa. xxx: 18.

FRI. 15 **The Political Peril.** When purchased and led to the polls by unscrupulous politicians, the immigrant must lose respect for a government which is thus exalted and placed in power.

Blessed are they that do His commandments.—Rev. xxii: 14.

SAT. 16 **Clannish Instincts Versus the Spirit of Brotherhood.** Born and bred in an atmosphere of hatred for some other race on account of oppression, war, or social position, the immigrant often brings with him prejudices which cause quarrels that are bitterly fought out.

Blessed is the man that heareth me.—Prov. viii: 34.

SUN. 17 **Constructive Leadership Necessary.** The Americanized immigrant may become a leader among his people. The employer of labor may help. Public school principals and teachers have an unusual opportunity in this direction.

Blessed is he whosoever shall not be offended in me.—Matt. xi: 6.

"Drill your thoughts; shut out the gloomy and call in the bright."

January

Bohemian Mission. (Baltimore, Maryland), 1905.
Misses Maud M. Conliff and Jane Williamson, teachers.
"What can we do for the foreigners? The first thing is to make them able to help themselves. The kindergartens and night schools are exceptionally adapted for this and for raising the moral standard."

MON 11

Italian Mission. (Detroit, Michigan), 1907.
Misses Mary A. de Carlo and A. S. Crane, missionaries.
Detroit has about eight thousand Italians. The kindergarten, mothers' meetings, sewing classes, and the visits of the missionary show results in the conduct of many of the people and the changed atmosphere of their homes.

TUE 12

Scandinavian Mission. (New Prague, Minnesota), 1900.
Miss Mary J. Novak, for many years the faithful missionary at New Prague, is now absent from the work because of serious illness.

WED 13

Mission to Foreigners. (Kansas City, Missouri), 1908.
Miss Marie Smercheck, missionary.
New work undertaken by the Woman's Board in coöperation with the American Bible Society.

THU 14

Ellis Island. (New York), 1905.
Miss Bertha Slavik, missionary.
"May those who, through your kind efforts, are helped and comforted prove, with God's help, a real blessing to this country and thereby show that immigration is not so dark a problem as we sometimes think!"

FRI 15

Magyar Mission. (New York City), 1907.
Mrs. Theresa Keresztes, missionary.
The work among Magyars in New York City, one of the advance steps of last year, has now a firm foothold. There is a kindergarten and a Saturday class for older children. The missionary visits homes and hospitals.

SAT 16

Italian Mission. (New York City), 1908.
Miss Aurora E. Nowell, missionary.
"How hard the mother tries to improve conditions, how faithfully she follows directions, how earnest and grateful her eyes as they consult the missionary on some doubtful point!"

SUN 17

January

Tendencies Spelling Opportunities.

MON. 18 **The Immigration Movement Interpreted.** Devoted Christian men and women prayed long for an "open door." God has opened the door, but it swings both ways. We may go to the foreigner with the gospel, but he is also coming to us—with his problems.

Blessed is the man whom Thou choosest.—Ps. lxv: 4.

TUE. 19 **Esthetic Natures.** Coming from great cathedral cities, and from lands where art and music are more common among the masses than in our own country, the immigrants may be reached through song and picture—languages which all will understand.

Blessed is the man whom Thou chastenest, O Lord, and teachest.—Ps. xciv: 12.

WED. 20 **The Social Instinct.** Social and benevolent orders, lodges and labor unions are all making claim upon the immigrant. He is fond of the crowd. He appreciates the love and interest shown in smile and glance and handgrasp.

Blessed is the man that trusteth in Thee.—Ps. lxxxiv: 12.

THU. 21 **Love of Amusement.** The immigrant has not forgotten how to play. Folk dances and carnivals appeal to him. Under Christian influence may not his amusements help to relieve the monotony of an ofttimes desolate life?

Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee.—Ps. lxxxiv: 5.

FRI. 22 **Docile and Obedient.** Ready as he is to follow a leader, it would seem a comparatively easy matter to make the immigrant what he may become. The solution of the problem is largely in the hands of the American.

Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house.—Ps. lxxxiv: 4.

SAT. 23 **Ready Adaptation.** Quick to see the advantages offered by our splendid country, the immigrant readily adapts himself to the conditions by which he is surrounded, often putting to shame the American who was "free-born."

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth.—Rev. xvi: 15.

SUN. 24 **The Patriotic Spirit.** Strong to fight for the fatherland and its traditions, the immigrant must be led to see that his interests are now with America,—that his destiny is wrapped up with that of his adopted country.

If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them.—John xiii: 17.

"Try thankfulness as a recipe for happiness."

January

Mission to Foreigners. (Denver, Colorado), 1908.
Miss Luella McClelland, Bible reader.
Upon the request of Dr. Donaldson Miss McClelland was commissioned as Bible reader in Denver. Her support is assured by Pueblo Presbytery.

MON 18

Italian Mission. (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), 1902.
Mr. Charles Murphy, Misses E. N. Jackson and E. Atchison, missionaries.
This mission has two kindergartens, a graded school, and Sunday School of 200 members; sewing society; mothers' meeting and a manual training class.

TUE 19

Italian Mission. (Germantown, Pennsylvania.)
Misses Anna M. Miller, Hannah D. Dovey, missionaries.
Primary and kindergarten departments; sewing, cooking, chair-caning and raffia work in the industrial classes; and mothers' meetings are features of this work for Italians.

WED 20

Mission to Italians and Slavs. (Siegfried, Pa.), 1905.
Mrs. John Androvitch (Slavs), Mrs. John Scuderi (Italians), missionaries.
The leaven is being placed in the meal, and it is believed that soon many of these alien peoples will become intelligent Christian citizens of America. The children make surprisingly rapid progress.

THU 21

Mission to Foreigners. (Easton, Pennsylvania.)
Mrs. Louise Heywood, missionary.
"My work is reaching out in every direction and I should like to multiply myself ten times, for what I do is a very small part of what is to be done."

FRI 22

The Influence of Our Every Day Life.
"Many of these immigrants imagine that our common life is permeated by a noble idealism, and while they cannot give expression to their high anticipations they feel more loftily than we think them capable of feeling."

SAT 23

Keeping True to Ideals.
"Many a time I have heard conversations between those who have read about America and those who were ignorant of its life, and I have had to keep silence, for had I spoken I must have destroyed those blessed illusions."

SUN 24

MON. 25 **Social Centers** must be provided,—places to which the immigrant may come and bring his family and where he may satisfy the natural desire to relax and find recreation.

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.—Matt. v: 3.

TUE. 26 **Educational Work Among Adults.** Classes in English, so that the immigrant may be better equipped to make his way in the world; classes in domestic science for the women, so that the home may be brighter, healthier and more Christlike.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.—Matt. v: 5.

WED. 27 **The Children of the Immigrant** are a greater problem than the immigrant himself. Often unrestrained and uninstructed, with unlawful pleasures abundant, they find their way to the saloon, the cheap theater and even viler places, and frequently end in the penitentiary.

Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness.—Matt. v: 6.

THU. 28 **The Deaconess Movement.** It is in the home that the immigrant can best be reached and helped,—and who can perform this ministry better than a trained, sympathetic woman?

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.—Matt. v: 7.

FRI. 29 **Mission Study Classes.** To know the problem is of prime importance. To study it systematically with others will give a larger vision and a new conception of its magnitude and its opportunity.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.—Matt. v: 8.

SAT. 30 **A "Volunteer Movement" for the Immigrant,** giving wholehearted service—for a week, a month, a year, a lifetime, as God may direct—with the same devotion and the same consecration that is found in the "Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions."

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called sons of God.—Matt. v: 9.

SUN. 31 **Competent Leaders,** trained for this new task, are being sought both at home and abroad,—men and women with a vision, a message and a program,—to help win for Christ and the Church the millions who stand before us, challenging us and our Christianity.

Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him.—Ps. ii: 12.

"There is no duty we underrate so much as the duty of being happy."

January

Mission to Hungarian Magyars. (Beaver Falls, Pa.)
Miss Josephine Waldfogle, missionary.
These Hungarian Magyars are already Presbyterians and are bearing their share of the work nobly and, considering the fact that they are all day laborers, are contributing generously.

MON 25

Italian Mission. (Roseto, Pennsylvania), 1904.
"In the evening school the Bible is read by every one who can read, also United States history. The older pupils who can read well assist me with those just beginning."

TUE 26

Luzerne Kindergarten. (Luzerne, Pennsylvania), 1903.
Miss Josephine Edgar, teacher.
The kindergarten enrolls Slavish, Lithuanian, and Polish children between the ages of three and six years. Most of them speak the English language after a short time in school.

WED 27

Luzerne Mothers' Meetings. (Luzerne, Pennsylvania.)
The mothers' meeting is well attended, some sewing is done and general talks are given. Sewing school is held weekly—"Bible verses and songs are taught along with the sewing."

THU 28

Work for Miners. (Fairmont, West Virginia), 1906.
Mrs. Marion J. Brooks, missionary.
The work here is for many nationalities, including Italians, Slavs and Hungarians. There are Sunday Schools and other classes, and many visits are made in homes and in the hospital.

FRI 29

Work in Wisconsin. (Green Bay, Wisconsin), 1901.
Rev. James S. Wilson, Rev. C. J. McConnell, missionaries.
Green Bay is a centre of work extending over large distances. Sunday Schools, children's services and other religious services are held.

SAT 30

Work in Wisconsin.
Rev. Leonard Calvert, Miss Clara N. Austin, missionaries.
"A new race is being born, one designed to build or to destroy, in which are welded all kindreds of the world, or which shall destroy itself by mutual hate."

SUN 31

February

Self-Control

I DELIGHT in the law of God after the inward man: but I see a different law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity under the law of sin which is in my members. Wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me out of the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then I of myself with the mind, indeed, serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, **self-control;** *against such there is no law. And they that are of Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with the passions and the lusts thereof. If we live by the Spirit, by the Spirit let us also walk.*

(For references see Romans vii: 22-25; Gal. v: 22-25.)

MON. 1 **Birmingham Presbytery** (Alabama Synod) covers the southern part of the state. Mines and mills are inviting people into it. We have a few strong churches, others weak. We need a vision of the field and men to cultivate it.

Giving all diligence add . . . . to knowledge self-control.—II Pet. i: 6.

TUE. 2 **Florida Presbytery.** Except for unusual visitations of destructive cold, the growing work would have been well-nigh self-supporting. Now, decimated communities, consecrated families, and heroic pastors are keeping alive our picket-line. Watchwords,—faith in God, hope for the future, love toward all.

He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty.—Prov. xvi: 32.

WED. 3 **Huntsville Presbytery.** We need two or three more good men to man the fields already open to us. Opportunity commensurate with and even beyond our ability to avail is coming to us. Our people are growing in their response to the home mission demand.

The discretion of a man maketh him slow to anger—Prov. xix: 11.

The Power of the Will

Fill us, O Lord, with Thy love that forgives, and summons, and empowers, and send us out into the world under this Thy summoning and challenging call. Help us to meet the next temptation in the expectation of victory; to expect to be able to bring to the next trouble fortitude and patience. This can be done. By the God-given power of will that is within us may we create a new future out of the inspiration of this hour.

Grant me grace to turn resolutely from all self-flattering, resentful, or weakening thoughts. Enable me to realize the effect of my words before I speak them and to keep back those that would hurt or hinder others. May my body be the servant of my spirit, and both body and spirit servants of Jesus Christ. Amen.

"No man can ever estimate the power of the will. It is a part of the divine nature, all of a piece with the power of creation."

"Temperament is wax before the human will and God; natural traits are powerless before moral decisions."

The life I should live:

"A life of self-mastery—of steady determination to keep my senses under the rule of my spirit, to bring every thought even to the obedience of Jesus Christ; a life of self-development in the training of every power; the enlarging and enriching of every faculty; the enlightening and ennobling of tastes and sympathies."

The Indians.

"Who are they? Whatever their origin they are a part of the human race, men and women and children with qualities and ambitions that can be so trained and fashioned as to furnish to our country good Christians and intelligent citizens."

MON 1

Christian Schools for the Indians.

The Woman's Board has sought to evangelize the Indian by giving to him educational advantages along industrial, mental, moral and spiritual lines. The results of their work are shown in the strong Christian character developed in many of the pupils.

TUE 2

Good Will Training School. (Sisseton, South Dakota), 1883. Mr. Charles E. Flack, superintendent; Mr. Louis Guigou, principal.

"Since the opening of this school many hundreds of bright, intelligent Sioux boys and girls have passed through it and have now Christian homes on the reservations.

WED 3

February

THU. 4 **Springville Presbytery.** Congregations mostly rural and all weak. Harvest rich and ready. Workers for work our need. By God's help we will hold on and go on.

He that is slow to anger is of great understanding.—Prov. xiv: 29.

FRI. 5 **Talladega Pesbytery.** Needs here are great, the opportunity constantly advancing and broadening, and the way to be wise in the work seems to be increasingly difficult.

Let every man be . . . . slow to wrath.—Jas. i: 19.

SAT. 6 **Arkansas Presbytery** (Arkansas Synod). The field is white unto harvest, but our laborers are few. Pray that the spirit of missions and consecration may be ours that we may have a sufficient number of laborers.

He that is slow to anger appeaseth strife.—Prov. xv: 18.

SUN. 7 **Bartholomew Presbytery.** Real missionary ground. Scattered, weak churches and—for the most part—in rural communities. Great need and good promise.

It is an honour for a man to cease from strife.—Prov. xx: 3.

MON. 8 **Burrow Presbytery.** A small presbytery. Congregations fairly well supplied. Good promise if pastorates are permanent.

Go not forth hastily to strive.—Prov. xxv: 8.

TUE. 9 **Fort Smith Presbytery.** Congregations well supplied. Better organization for work but need a pastor-evangelist for half time for promising openings.

A soft answer turneth away wrath.—Prov. xv: 1.

WED. 10 **Little Rock Presbytery.** Important presbytery in the center of the state, in which is the state capital. To make our Church strong here will give courage to all the state.

A wrathful man stirreth up contention.—Prov. xv: 18.

"To wish and not to will is spiritual collapse."

February

Good Will Training School. THU 4
Misses M. L. Pitman and Annie J. Gardner, teachers.
"In 1904 a theological department was organized for the benefit of students preparing for active service as ministers and missionaries. Eight Presbyterian churches surrounding the school speak volumes for the success of the school work."

Good Will Training School. FRI 5
Misses Ellen J. Proctor, Lillian North, matrons.
The training school is a Christian home as well as a Christian school. The girls are trained in household duties, the boys in the care of the farm and stock.

Good Will Training School. SAT 6
Misses Annie McMullin, Una L. Moore, matrons.
Even the heathen Indians are unable to resist the civilizing influences of Good Will, and show it in more industrious habits, better homes, and purer lives.

Good Will Training School. SUN 7
Mr. W. L. Palmer, farmer; Mr. Jesse Lockwood, industrial teacher.
A printing department was established in 1905. A monthly paper printed by the students is published for the benefit of friends and of many Dakota people who can read English. A Dakota edition is also published.

Park Hill School. (Park Hill, Oklahoma), 1884. MON 8
Miss Kate G. Patterson, teacher.
"The present work at Park Hill—a day school for Cherokee children—is as interesting as it is perplexing. The pupils are bright and anxious to learn, obedient and respectful."

"Old Dwight." (Marble P. O., Oklahoma), 1886. TUE 9
Rev. F. L. Schaub, superintendent.
The Dwight Industrial School is in the Cherokee country; it is largely attended by the Indians and also by white children. School work, industrial training, and religious instruction are well maintained.

Dwight Industrial School. WED 10
Miss Alice L. Blackford, teacher; Miss S. Nellie Long, matron.
"One of our privileges is to have a share in the education and redemption of the Indian. I wonder how many have ever stopped to think how much we owe them?"

February

THU. 11 **Mound Prairie Presbytery.** This presbytery embraces sixteen counties with only five men actively engaged in the work. We need a good, strong, active pastor-evangelist. We have many good church houses with depleted membership.

Leave off contention before there be quarreling.—Prov. xvii: 14.

FRI. 12 **White River "A" Presbytery** has many difficulties to overcome and only three active ministers, but we are trusting in the promise, "Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."

Where there is no whisperer, contention ceaseth.—Prov. xxvi: 20.

Lincoln's Birthday. *Let us say with Abraham Lincoln, as we remember him: "It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us;—that from these honored dead, we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion."*

SAT. 13 **Baltimore Synod** (self-supporting) consists of the presbyteries of Baltimore, New Castle and Washington City, and includes Maryland, Delaware, the District of Columbia, and a small part of Virginia. One-third of its churches are aided; last year these received three hundred on examination.

Wrath is cruel and anger is outrageous.—Prov. xxvii: 4.

SUN. 14 **Baltimore Synod.** Problems: maintaining old country churches, churches in towns where population is stationary, new suburban churches, and work among foreigners. In New Castle Presbytery is old Rehoboth Church, cradle of Presbyterianism in America, founded by Francis Makemie, the pioneer Presbyterian minister. Near it is his monument.

He that is of a cool spirit is a man of understanding.—Prov. xvii: 27.

MON. 15 **Benicia Presbytery** (California Synod). Its needs: a consuming missionary zeal that will constrain our church membership to do personal work for our divine Master. Its opportunities: a vast area of virgin soil awaits the ready seed sowing. Lack of men and money prevents our entering open doors.

A fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise.—Prov. xvii: 28.

TUE. 16 **Los Angeles Presbytery,** in churches and members, is the largest presbytery on the Coast. It has been self-supporting since last April. New regions opening, many Mexicans, and a varied non-Christian population mean great opportunity.

He that shutteth his lips is esteemed as prudent.—Prov. xvii: 28.

Dwight Industrial School.
Misses R. Mathes, H. E. Field and M. Parker, matrons; Mr. S. Ussery, farmer.
"We have taken the Indians' land and given them in return whiskey and the white plague. We have shut them up in reservations and virtually made paupers of them."

THU 11

Tucson Training School. (Escuela, Arizona), 1888.
Mr. H. G. Brown, superintendent; Misses M. C. Lindsay and Minnie Shaver, teachers.
The purpose of this mission was to give the Pima and Papago tribes an opportunity of educating their children. About nine hundred children have come under its influence.

FRI 12

Lincoln's Birthday.
"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in."

Tucson Training School.
Misses Emma Laird, E. T. Wolfe, Emma Willman, teachers.
Feeling the need of more aggressive and definite work in preparing young men and women for Christian leadership, the Woman's Board has decided to open at Tucson a training department for Christian workers.

SAT 13

Tucson Training School.
Mrs. H. M. Gilchrist, Misses Florence Dilley, and Fern Dilley, matrons.
Tucson is rejoicing in its new equipment. Cottages for the superintendent and industrial teacher are completed; also the new dormitories for 125 pupils.

SUN 14

Tucson Training School.
Misses Amanda Rundquest and Margaret Clark, matrons.
Tucson, like all our training schools, is a place of great activity. The girls are thoroughly taught in all housewifely arts. Sewing and dressmaking are "specialties."

MON 15

Tucson Training School.
O. A. Kellond, farmer.
The boys receive thorough industrial training, including carpentering. The large ranch which has been secured gives ample opportunity for practical farming.

TUE 16

February

WED. 17 **Nevada Presbytery.** A whole state and part of another in this presbytery! Large and growing mining camps, widely scattered communities, press on us for the gospel. This is the day of our opportunity.

He that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.—Prov. xiv: 29.

THU. 18 **Oakland Presbytery.** Two counties—Alameda and Contra Costa, on each side of San Francisco Bay. Presbytery has undertaken self-support and will send the Board more than it receives. Two great difficulties: an inherited spirit of commercialism; a persistent desire to substitute our philosophy for God's revelation.

The mouth of fools poureth out folly.—Prov. xv: 2.

FRI. 19 **Riverside Presbytery.** Only good cheer from this presbytery. Last year it sent to the Board more than it cost the Board. This makes it the first presbytery on the Coast actually to reach self-support. The work is in good condition.

A grievous word stirreth up anger.—Prov. xv: 1.

SAT. 20 **Sacramento Presbytery** greets our beloved Church at large, and lays her best offering at its feet,—the opportunity to give the gospel to thousands of people found in her hills and valleys on the frontier, who even yet are as sheep without a shepherd.

A wholesome tongue is a tree of life.—Prov. xv: 4.

SUN. 21 **San Francisco Presbytery.** Laid low, but re-raised. Clothed in magnificence, may she be clothed with holiness. Pray that she may be energized with the ambition born of love for God and men.

The answer of the tongue is from the Lord.—Prov. xvi: 1.

MON. 22 **San Joaquin Presbytery** covers a vast region, with many small churches and remote mountain work. The churches are well manned and the workers are hopeful, for the work of the Lord is prospering in their hands.

Righteous lips are the delight of kings.—Prov. xvi: 13.

Washington's Birthday. *Revering him, let us remember he wrote these words: "Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, Religion and morality are indispensable supports. In vain would that man claim the tribute of Patriotism, who should labour to subvert these great Pillars of human happiness, these firmest props of the duties of Men and Citizens."*

February

Elm Spring. (Welling, Oklahoma), 1889.
Miss Elizabeth Ferguson, principal; Misses J. T. Buchanan and Marietta Hunt, teachers.
Elm Spring Mission has for years been doing a good work among the Cherokees. The boarding department is self-supporting, the pupils bringing their own supplies for the year.

WED 17

Mary Gregory Memorial. (Anadarko, Oklahoma), 1891.
Rev. S. V. Fait, superintendent; Mr. J. W. McManis, principal.
We are drawing pupils from so many tribes that it is difficult to say where "our field" begins and where it ends. We have now Kiowas, Caddos, Wichitas. Delawares, Choctaws, Cherokees, Comanches and Apaches.

THU 18

Mary Gregory Memorial.
Misses Edith Flagler, Jennie C. Gabus, teachers.
"I believe the Indian, if his friends are faithful, will arouse from his present condition and it will be seen that the labors of the past and present were not in vain but will bear abundant fruit."

FRI 19

Mary Gregory Memorial.
Mrs. A. L. Fuson, Misses Sophia Ostermier, Ruth D. Dean and Bertha Wilson, matrons.
Strong appeals are made for enlargement, especially in the industrial department. It is hoped that interested friends may be found to furnish an industrial teacher.

SAT 20

Nuyaka School. (Okmulgee, Oklahoma), 1893.
John M. Robe, superintendent; R. S. Johnston, principal.
The formation of the state of Oklahoma obliterated the geographical outlines of the Creek nation. The Creek Indians are still here and undoubtedly in *increasing numbers.*

SUN 21

Nuyaka School.
Miss L. A. Sweeney, (to be supplied), teachers.
"While they are improving and developing rapidly into better citizens, yet the work of Christian people among them is by no means completed. In fact we must put forth even greater effort."

MON 22

Washington's Birthday.
Suppose it flashes upon you that all the hardship and perils and conflicts of the forefathers are a price paid for you. Do you not see how that thought must kindle a flame of patriotism on the altar of your heart?

February

TUE. 23 **San Jose Presbytery** is as large as New Jersey. The climate is superb. No better people or ministers can be found. But they are too few. Sympathy and prayer, men and money are now required.

The heart of the righteous studieth to answer.—Prov. xv: 28.

WED. 24 **Santa Barbara Presbytery** is catching the spirit of the times. Self-support, though dimly seen, is the goal. But we are a home missionary presbytery, having more mission churches than self-supporting ones. We need good men and the prayers of good people.

The wise in heart shall be called prudent.—Prov. xvi: 21.

THU. 25 **Boulder Presbytery** (Colorado Synod). The Summer School of Missions at the Boulder Chautauqua gives promise of a more intelligent and zealous service on the part of our churches and organizations. The coal regions of the state are in this vicinity, and furnish field for home mission activity.

The sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.—Prov. xvi: 21.

FRI. 26 **Denver Presbytery.** Special need: men who can labor in mountainous regions at high altitudes. Encouragements: loyalty of the men in charge, growing interest in home missions on the part of self-supporting churches, and special work—centering at Denver—in behalf of the foreigners in the state.

The lips of knowledge are a precious jewel.—Prov. xx: 15.

SAT. 27 **Gunnison Presbytery.** Frequent changes in the pastorate on some of our fields have been detrimental to the best interests of our churches. Better salaries would insure longer pastorates. May the Church realize her responsibility to the Master and to the laborers in His vineyard!

He kisseth the lips who giveth a right answer.—Prov. xxiv: 26.

SUN. 28 **Pueblo Presbytery** is as large as New England. Rapidly increasing population, new towns springing up every month, a large Mexican and Indian element—all these tax our abilities and our faith to the utmost. We need men—good men, and money—more of it.

Whoso keepeth his mouth . . . . keepeth his soul from troubles.—Prov. xxi: 23.

February

Nuyaka School.
Mrs. J. M. Robe, Misses Babb and de Tienne, matrons.
From the Indian's view the outlook is sad. But with the help and encouragement of Christian people I see in them the making of noble citizens for America.

TUE 23

Lapwai Mission. (Lapwai, Idaho), 1893.
Misses Kate McBeth, Julia Hatch, Mazie Crawford, missionaries.
We have a temperance society in each of our six Indian churches; all the officers are Indians and it is delightful to see their interest and enthusiasm.

WED 24

Wolf Point Mission. (Wolf Point, Montana), 1894.
Mrs. C. D. King, principal; Miss Beulah Greenwald, teacher.
Wolf Point—like Elm Spring—has a self-supporting boarding department. The new dormitory for boys adds greatly to the comfort of teachers and pupils.

THU 25

Wolf Point Mission.
Mrs. H. T. Smith, matron; Mr. H. T. Smith, industrial teacher.
"We can pay our debt to the Indian only by teaching them to use their hands and their brains and showing them the light as it is in Christ Jesus."

FRI 26

Sacaton Mission. (Sacaton, Arizona), 1895.
Messrs. Edward Jackson, Thos. Lewis, Horace Williams, Indian evangelists.
"I like the Indian for what is Indian in him. I want to see his splendid inherited physique kept up. I want him to retain his old contempt for hunger, thirst, cold and danger when he has anything to do."

SAT 27

Neah Bay Mission. (Neah Bay, Washington), 1899.
Miss Helen W. Clark, missionary.
"A gentleman is here in Neah Bay who taught here nine years ago; he says that the change in the Indians is marvellous, and attributes it all to the mission."

SUN 28

March

Faith

TIME will fail me if I tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephtha; of David and Samuel and the prophets; who through **faith** *subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, waxed mighty in war, turned to flight armies of aliens.*

For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that he would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, that ye may be strengthened with power through His spirit in the inward man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts through **faith**.

(For references see Heb. xi: 32-34; Eph. iii: 14-17.)

MON. 1 **Wyoming Presbytery** (Colorado Synod). Men vex the bases of our mountains for gold, silver, iron and coal, thinking that the wealth of the world lies there. Whose is the voice that shall call the hopeless toiler to the more perfect treasure which is in Christ Jesus?

Have faith in God.—Mark xi: 22.

TUE. 2 **Alton Presbytery** (Illinois Synod—self-supporting) contains the first mission established among the Bulgarians of America at Granite City and Madison, near St. Louis. Rev. R. S. Bagranoff and wife are laboring faithfully and desire an interest in the prayers of God's people.

Without faith it is impossible to please Him.—Heb. xi: 6.

WED. 3 **Bloomington Presbytery** is a strong body in the center of the state containing numerous and prosperous cities and towns. It contributes liberally to home missions, but has its own problems in supporting its weaker churches in town and country.

The just shall live by faith.—Gal. iii: 11.

The Challenge to Faith

May we reach unto the depths of that man's faith who said, What shall separate us from the love of Christ! I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor any other creature can come between Him and me.

Help us, O Lord, to reach out past the things we cannot understand to the God we trust. We thank Thee for the passing of what changes, and the changelessness of what passes not.

Grant us grace to carry out in our lives what we confess in our faith. Amen.

"Happy and strong and brave shall we be,—able to endure all things, and to do all things,—if we believe that every day, every hour, every moment of our life is in His hands."

"People talk of the fretting limitations of this life; surely the most extraordinary thing about it is our almost limitless powers, and our incomprehensible slowness in making use of them."

Hoopa Mission. (Hoopa, California), 1900.
Misses Martha E. Chase, R. A. Funk, missionaries.
The plea of the Hoopa Indians—"Give us the white man's law, the white man's school, the white man's church." Answered first by the Government and, ten years later, by the Presbyterian Church.

MON 1

White Cloud Mission. (White Cloud, Kansas), 1901.
Miss Jennie Templeton, missionary.
"These Indians are a generous-hearted people. Their morals are good. The neat and thoughtful housewife makes a home where her family enjoy the comforts of real home life."

TUE 2

Jewett School. (Liberty, New Mexico), 1903.
Miss B. A. Little, principal; Mrs. F. A. Wilcox, matron.
The work for Navajo boys and girls goes steadily on, and the teachers write that the desire of many years begins to be fulfilled,—the Gospel story is reaching the camps through the teachings of the children.

WED 3

March

THU. 4 **Cairo Presbytery.** The metropolis of Egypt has given this name to southern Illinois. Many of the people are poor, and few of the churches self-sustaining, but they give more liberally to home missions than in many more favored regions.

Faith without works is dead.—Jas. ii: 26.

FRI. 5 **Chicago Presbytery** has over two millions of people within its bounds, with large numbers of immigrants of foreign speech. Missions are conducted in five languages. Large expenditures are made each year for building and supporting new churches.

By works a man is justified and not only by faith.—Jas. ii: 24.

SAT. 6 **Ewing Presbytery** bears the name of one of the founders and faithful laborers of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. It was formerly part of the Presbytery of Cairo. More than half its churches need assistance that their ministers may have even a meager support.

Lord, increase our faith.—Luke xvii: 5.

SUN. 7 **Freeport Presbytery.** The early discovery of lead brought many to northwestern Illinois. Rev. Aratus Kent, a devoted Presbyterian missionary, was one of the first to carry the gospel to these settlers. Rockford, Freeport and Galena are the principal towns.

Giving all diligence, add to your faith.—II Pet. i: 5.

MON. 8 **Mattoon Presbytery** lies in the eastern center of the state. The soil is favorable to the cultivation of a valuable crop of broom corn. The recent discovery of petroleum has added a new industry, and has brought a shifting population.

Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.—Rom. x: 17.

TUE. 9 **Ottawa Presbytery,** now the smallest, is one of the oldest presbyteries of the state and once included Chicago. Aurora, Elgin, Streator and other mining and manufacturing towns are within its borders. Deep interest is shown in evangelistic work.

God hath dealt to each man a measure of faith.—Rom. xii: 3.

WED. 10 **Peoria Presbytery** derives its name from the second largest city of the state. Presbyterians are endeavoring to do their part in the evangelization of this city by supporting eight churches and missions. Many rural churches need help.

Hast thou faith? Have it to thyself before God.—Rom. xiv: 22.

"Conduct is the end of faith and its strongest support."

March

Shivwit Mission. (Shem City, Utah), 1903.
—— ———, missionary.
The bell on the church was the first to ring in this valley. It would please those who gave the money for that bell to see how eagerly the boys and girls answer its summons to Sunday School.

THU 4

North Fork Mission. (North Fork, California), 1904.
Miss Laura B. Work, missionary.
"The Digger Indian has never been an inspiring subject, but the children are interested. We can only bid you be patient with a divine patience. 'The way is long, the goal is far, but the righteous never toil in vain.'"

FRI 5

Fall River Mills Mission. (Shasta Indians.) Reopened 1908.
Miss Nellie T. McGraw, missionary.
The Indian is reticent, and frequently knows more than we credit him with. We are frequently surprised with some revelation of knowledge and can comfort ourselves with the hope that they are absorbing also spiritual teaching.

SAT 6

Fort Hall Mission. (Blackfoot P. O., Idaho), 1900.
Miss Amelia J. Frost, missionary—on furlough.
Mr. James Dickson, missionary.
"Fort Hall was at first a 'foreign mission' undertaken by Christian Nez Perces from Lapwai. The present missionary is a student from the training school at Lapwai.

SUN 7

Omaha Mission. (Omaha, Nebraska), 1908.
Miss S. H. Chapin, missionary.
"We no longer look upon these Indian races as a wild, roaming people; soon they are to take their places as citizens of equal rights with their white brothers.

MON 8

Kickapoo Reservation. (Germantown, Kansas), 1908.
Miss Sadie Martindale, missionary and Bible reader among the Kickapoo Indians.

TUE 9

Indian Missionaries and Helpers.
Like Paul, they love their spiritual children and are loved in return, and no wonder, for they, too, are Indians and understand the Indian heart. They are believed in and trusted.

WED 10

March

THU. 11 **Rock River Presbytery.** Blackhawk, the Indian, viewed from his outlook a fertile region now covered with prosperous towns and farms. Presbyterians early found a foothold in this section. The Italian Mission sustained by the synod is within its bounds.

Have faith unto the saving of the soul.—Heb. x: 39.

FRI. 12 **Rushville Presbytery** was known as "Schuyler" till the recent reunion, when it took the name of a Cumberland presbytery in the same territory. Quincy is the principal city. It sustains many weak churches and contributes liberally to home missions.

By grace have ye been saved through faith.—Eph. ii: 8.

SAT. 13 **Springfield Presbytery** is called for the state capital, the home of Lincoln, who attended and supported the First Presbyterian Church. It contains three Presbyterian colleges,—Illinois at Jacksonville, Lincoln at Lincoln, and James Millikin University at Decatur.

Thou standest by thy faith.—Rom. xi: 20.

SUN. 14 **Crawfordsville Presbytery** (Indiana Synod—self-supporting). Fifty-seven churches; ten with over two hundred members each; thirty-one with less than one hundred. The problem of not only the small church but of the vacant pulpit presses. Fine country with remarkable development of railroad (especially electric) interests. Wabash College has given many ministers to our Church.

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith.—I Cor. xvi: 13.

MON. 15 **Fort Wayne Presbytery.** Thirty-nine churches; several strong. City of Fort Wayne railroad center. Problems of "Church and labor" important. Annual assemblies and the educational interests at Winona Lake exert a powerful and broadly extended influence.

We walk by faith, not by sight.—II Cor. v: 7.

TUE. 16 **Indiana Presbytery.** Seventy-seven churches; thirteen with more than two hundred members each; fifty-one with less than one hundred; nineteen reported vacant in 1908. Cumberland reunion particularly affected the churches here. Evansville a strong former Cumberland center. Embraces large territory, west, and from southern border as far north as Terre Haute.

According to your faith be it unto you.—Matt. ix: 29.

WED. 17 **Indianapolis Presbytery.** Central. Fourteen of the fifty-six churches in capital; eighteen with more than two hundred members each; thirty-two with less than one hundred. Problems of the small and the vacant church pressing. One of the most remarkable developments of electric railroads.

Where is your faith?—Luke viii: 25.

Methods of Giving. Proportionate. Systematic. Regular.
"If God gives us the possibilities and the power to get wealth, to acquire influence, to be forces in the world, what is the true conception of life but divine ownership and human administration?" THU 11

Last year belated gifts made it necessary to borrow money to meet obligations. Over four thousand dollars was expended for interest on borrowed money. "There is a withholding that tendeth to poverty." FRI 12

"Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." SAT 13

"Let each man do according as he hath purposed in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver." SUN 14

"And they came every one whose heart stirred him up and every one whom his spirit made willing and brought Jehovah an offering." MON 15

"Give and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over shall they give into your bosom. For with the same measure ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." TUE 16

"The first of the first fruits of thy ground thou shalt bring into the house of Jehovah thy God." WED 17

March

THU. 18 **Logansport Presbytery.** Forty-five churches; twenty-one with more than one hundred members each. Grouping of small churches necessary, but only two reported vacant in 1908. Northwestern corner of state. Remarkable industrial development at several points, imposing large burden and affording large opportunity to home mission forces.

Draw near with a true heart in fulness of faith.—Heb. x: 22.

FRI. 19 **Muncie Presbytery.** East-central. Twenty-five churches; fourteen with more than one hundred members each. Several growing centers of population.

This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.—I John v: 4.

SAT. 20 **New Albany Presbytery.** Southeastern corner of state. Many former Cumberland organizations. Fifty-seven churches; forty with less than one hundred members each; twenty-nine reported vacant in 1908. Problem of the small and vacant church very pressing. Hanover College has given our Church many ministers.

I know thy works and thy love and faith.—Rev. ii: 19.

SUN. 21 **White Water Presbytery.** Southeastern portion of state. Thirty-five churches; twenty-one with less than one hundred members each; several strong. Ten vacant pulpits show this presbytery shares with the rest of the southern portion of the state this problem of the small and dependent churches.

Ye are all sons of God, through faith, in Christ Jesus.—Gal. iii: 26.

MON. 22 **Carthage Presbytery** (Missouri Synod). In southwest Missouri, a large mining district—lead and zinc. Many miners and their families, without church facilities and with heart-hunger, crowd the streets of our cities after their day of toil, and spend their money for that which is not bread.

An inheritance among them that are sanctified by faith.—Acts xxvi: 18.

TUE. 23 **Iron Mountain Presbytery** is the most absolutely missionary field in this synod. Twenty-two counties have eight ministers at work. Three churches are self-supporting. Seventeen are purely missionary. Almost every minister is preaching at out-stations as yet unorganized.

The trying of your faith worketh patience.—Jas. i: 3.

WED. 24 **Kansas City Presbytery.** Eight counties. Almost every known home mission problem found here:—capital and labor, the backslidden American and the foreign agnostic, the Catholic cathedral and the Mormon temple, the well-settled country always changing and the great city rapidly growing greater.

Fight the good fight of faith.—I Tim. vi: 12.

"Freely ye have received, freely give."

THU 18

"Every man shall give as he is able according to the blessing of Jehovah thy God which He hath given thee."

FRI 19

"The liberal deviseth liberal things, and by liberal things shall he stand."

SAT 20

"For if the readiness is there it is accepted according as a man hath and not according as he hath not."

SUN 21

"Honor Jehovah with thy substance and with the first fruits of all thine increase."

MON 22

"And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks unto Jehovah thy God with a tribute of a freewill offering of thy hand which thou shalt give according as Jehovah thy God blesseth thee."

TUE 23

"Take ye from among you an offering unto Jehovah—whosoever is of a willing heart let him bring it."

WED 24

March

THU. 25 **Kirksville Presbytery** has fifty churches, but four of which are self-supporting and able to maintain a pastor full time. This is, and will for some time to come, be home missionary ground. Our great task, with the Board's help, is to care for the small country and village church.

Believe on the light that ye may become sons of light.—John xii: 36.

FRI. 26 **McGee Presbytery** has a territory embracing eight counties. There are sixty churches on the roll. About half of these are country churches. The conviction is deepening that we can do better and more evangelistic work as pastors and churches.

All things are possible to him that believeth.—Mark ix: 23.

SAT. 27 **Ozark Presbytery.** Preparations are being made to locate two Bible women in our bounds. Our needs are: more faith and courage on the part of elders in home mission churches, and a better method of supplying our churches when they become vacant.

Be not afraid, only believe.—Mark v: 36.

SUN. 28 **St. Joseph Presbytery.** The immigrant is settling in our midst. The need of evangelizing the individual and community is apparent. Our ministers and missionaries, consecrated self-sacrificing men, prize the sympathy and prayers of the Church. More missionaries and better giving are our chief concerns.

Lord, I believe; help Thou mine unbelief.—Mark ix: 24.

MON. 29 **St. Louis Presbytery.** St. Louis, the central part of this presbytery, affords a great opportunity for home missionary effort, especially among the foreign population. Here are tens of thousands, belonging to the Reformed Faith by affinity and descent, who need the ministrations of the Board.

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.—Acts xvi: 31.

TUE. 30 **Salt River Presbytery.** Ten counties, long so well occupied by the Cumberland Presbyterian Church that at the time of the reunion there was not a Presbyterian church in them, nor one opposed to the Union.

I believe that Thou art the Christ, the son of God.—John xi: 27.

WED. 31 **Sedalia Presbytery** embraces twelve counties, six in the Ozark hill country, where is great spiritual destitution. In two counties we have no church, in another only one and no building. Our needs: money, workers, ministers, Bible readers, teachers, co-operation between denominations in needy fields.

By Him every one that believeth is justified.—Acts xiii: 39.

"Of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering."

THU 25

"Thou shalt surely open thy hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor and to thy needy in thy land."

FRI 26

"Of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee."

SAT 27

"The liberal soul shall be made fat, and he that watereth shall be watered also himself."

SUN 28

"Bring ye the whole tithe into the store-house that there may be food in my house and prove me now herewith, saith Jehovah of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room to receive it."

MON 29

"May the Gift of God prompt our giving."

TUE 30

"Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable Gift."

WED 31

April

Hope

LET us, since we are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the **hope** *of salvation.*

Whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that through patience and through comfort of the Scriptures we might have **hope.**

I . . . cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him; having the eyes of your heart enlightened that ye may know what is the **hope** *of His calling.*

Now the God of **hope** *fill you with all joy and peace in believing that ye may abound in* **hope,** *through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

(For references see I Thes. v: 8; Rom. xv: 4; Eph. i: 16-18; Rom. xv: 13.)

THU. 1 **Department of Church and Labor.** Its general object is to interpret the Church to workingmen, to interpret workingmen to the Church, and to interpret employer and employee to each other,—through education, inspiration, mediation, evangelism and twentieth century methods of Christian work.

Tribulation worketh patience, and patience experience, and experience hope.—Rom. v: 4.

FRI. 2 **A Clearing House.** Into the office of this Department comes the latest and most exact information concerning every phase of the workingman problem as it affects the Church. Out of the office this information, carefully digested and systematically tabulated, goes to pastor, Christian worker, student and teacher.

We are saved by hope.—Rom. viii: 24.

On Wings of Hope

We thank Thee for past mercies and present blessings and future hopes—so bright, so winsome, so dazzling. And they are sure to come true. By Thy forgiveness we hope to live lives needing less forgiveness—lives that shall ring with victory. Amen.

"Morning prayers should begin and end with hope: we all wish to spend a good day, and hope heartens us to turn that wish into a strong will. Let us fill our hearts with hope, as we fill our lungs with clean air."

"Let us be like a bird, a moment lighted
Upon a branch that swings.
He feels it sway, yet sings on unaffrighted,
Knowing he hath his wings."

"Hope comes to the rescue—and hope is not a fancy, but a prophecy, a force, with power for its own realization."

"Hope is the mark of all the souls whom God has made His friends."

"'While there is life there is hope,' while there is hope there is life. Hope has healed more diseases than any medicine."

"I remember that what we call our fortunes, good or ill, are but the wise dealings and distributions of a Wisdom higher, and a Kindness greater, than our own. And I suppose that their meaning is that we should learn, by all the uncertainties of our life, even the smallest, how to be brave and steady and temperate and hopeful, whatever comes, because we believe that behind it all there lies a purpose of good, and over it all there watches a providence of blessing."

Cumberland School. (Stuart, Virginia.)
Mrs. E. G. Dickson.
A parochial school which has done fine work for many years, not for its pupils only but for the entire community. Ingleside and Brainerd have received many promising pupils from this school.

THU 1

Mount Hermon School. (Chula, Virginia.)
Mrs. L. B. Payne.
The best people of both races in this community give their hearty approval of the work which is done. The Bible is taught daily. Many former pupils are now teachers.

FRI 2

April

"To Interpret the Church to Workingmen."

SAT. 3 **A Science of City Missions**—the result of co-ordinated experience—is needed, that Christian workers may be spared the humiliation of blundering experiment. We try to meet this need by placing a thoroughly informed office at the service of every member of our Church, without charge.

We through the spirit by faith wait for the hope of righteousness.—Gal. v: 5.

SUN. 4 **Great Labor Mass Meetings** are held in large auditoriums every Sunday afternoon and frequently on week-nights during the winter. The attendance rarely numbers less than one thousand. Once there were five thousand, twice there were ten thousand and once fifteen thousand present.

Hope that is seen is not hope.—Rom. viii: 24.

MON. 5 **Noon-day Shop Meetings.** There are few better ways to reach working-men for Christ than through shop meetings. Other methods may be employed with good results at various seasons of the year, but the shop meeting is one of the best methods at any time of the year.

Turn ye to the stronghold, ye prisoners of hope.—Zech. ix: 12.

TUE. 6 **Labor Press Bureau.** The Department speaks weekly to ten million working people through three hundred labor papers. A labor leader of national reputation recently said, "The influence of these articles has been such as to completely change the attitude of the labor press towards the Church."

The bringing in of a better hope.—Heb. vii: 19.

WED. 7 **Ministerial Fraternal Delegates to Central Labor Bodies.** In over one hundred cities our ministers are regularly sitting in the councils of labor,—advising, restraining and encouraging to better ideals the chosen representatives of the local labor unions.

A living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.—I Pet. i: 3.

THU. 8 **Addressing Labor Unions and Labor Conventions.** The Superintendent of the Department regularly visits and addresses not only the local and city unions but the great international conventions, where a welcome is always accorded.

Lay hold of the hope set before us.—Heb. vi: 18.

FRI. 9 **General Literature,** discussing the relation of the Church to Labor in the language of the workingman, is issued under forty titles for general distribution.

Every man that hath this hope purifieth himself.—I John iii: 3.

"Hope tightens the cords and tunes up the heartstrings."

April

Albright School. (Kempis, Virginia.)
Mrs. B. A. Tompkins.
A little school with much to its credit. Over twenty young men now honoring their race in fine professional work were once pupils at Albright.

SAT 3

Martinsville School. (Martinsville, Virginia.)
Rev. E. W. Coberth, Mrs. Coberth.
Carver School. (Newport News, Virginia.)
Rev. G. T. Jones, Mrs. Jones.
Holbrook Street High School. (Danville, Virginia.)
Mrs. W. E. Carr, Miss Brooks, Mr. Blount.

SUN 4

Russell Grove School. (Amelia, Virginia.)
Rev. R. J. Barrett, Mrs. Barrett.
Graham School. (Graham, North Carolina.)
Rev. S. L. Young, Mrs. Young.
Geneva School. (Winston-Salem, North Carolina.)
Rev. J. C. Allston, Mrs. Willis.

MON 5

Ridgeway School. (Ridgeway, Virginia.)
Mrs. S. J. Dillard.
Holmes Memorial. (Ridgeway, Virginia.)
Mrs. S. Leak.

TUE 6

Hope School. (Clarkton, Virginia.)
Mrs. W. B. Stitt.
Our schools stand for Christian education. Special emphasis is laid upon home training.

WED 7

Jetersville School. (Jetersville, Virginia.)
Mrs. S. G. Neil, Miss Travis, Miss Thomas.
Mrs. Neil has been in school work continually since 1866 and has had in her own home in all these years over one hundred orphan children who now fill positions of trust and honor.

THU 8

Yadkin Academy. (Mebane, North Carolina.)
Rev. W. P. Donnell, Mrs. Donnell.
Rockingham School. (Rockingham, North Carolina.)
Rev. J. H. Clement, Mrs. Clement.

FRI 9

April — *"To Interpret Workingmen to the Church."*

SAT. 10 **Physical Conditions.** One tenement block in New York contains nearly seven thousand persons. Another block contains sixteen hundred and seventy-two persons per acre. Under such conditions how can one remain sweet and pure,—to say nothing about being Christian?

Happy is he . . . . whose hope is in the Lord his God.—Ps. cxlvi: 5.

SUN. 11 **Independent Attitude.** The workingman despises patronage and paternalism. He must be treated as a man. America has the best artisans in all the world. They are capable of the very best, economically and socially. Has the Church the wisdom to direct them spiritually?

If in this life only we have hope in Christ . . . . . But now is Christ risen.—I Cor. xv: 20-21.

MON. 12 **Social Needs.** The saloon has seen to it that these are met—in its way. Other agencies cater to the workingman's social instinct and his natural social longings. The policy of the Church must be not only destructive, but constructive, in this saloon-fighting business.

The hope of the righteous shall be gladness—Prov. x: 28.

TUE. 13 **Home Life** is the best substitute for the saloon. Within the confines of her kitchen, where the care of many children and the hard, monotonous toil must often seem so irksome, shall not the Church minister to the mother who needs its love and sympathy?

Hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope.—Heb. iii: 6.

WED. 14 **Economic State.** Surrounded by the advocates of every social and economic fad, workingmen need the guidance of wiser and broader minds to direct the tendencies of the masses in their economic aspirations.

The Lord will be the hope of His people.—Joel iii: 16.

THU. 15 **Labor Conferences.** To get together and talk it out would solve many an anxious labor situation. Just this the Department of Church and Labor is bringing about in many cities, by inviting workingmen and their employers to meet for conferences.

Thou shalt be secure because there is hope.—Job xi: 18.

FRI. 16 **Social Welfare in Shop and Factory.** Clean, sanitary conditions, comfortable work-rooms, good light, fresh air, safeguarded machinery,—is it Christian to supply less than these?

He that ploweth ought to plow in hope.—I Cor. ix: 10.

"Every day for the Christian is better than all the days before."

April

McClelland School. (Newnan, Georgia.)
Rev. L. Miller, Mrs. Miller, Misses Miller and Brown.
Time would fail to tell of the many difficulties met and overcome of many pupils who are now earnest Christian teachers of Christian homes, which are an object lesson to Newnan and its outlying districts.

SAT 10

Calvary School. (Asheville, North Carolina.)
Rev. C. B. Dusenberry, Mrs. Dusenberry.
Grant School. (Spartanburg, South Carolina.)
Rev. H. M. Stinson, Mrs. Stinson.
Easter Sunday. "The best of all our hopes—the hope of immortality."

SUN 11

Hodge Academy. (Washington, Georgia.)
Rev. J. R. Harris, Mrs. Harris.
This school is one of the best under the care of the Board and is in the most hopeful and promising field in Georgia. Graduates are doing good work.
Savannah School. (Savannah, Georgia.)
Mrs. Redd.

MON 12

Gillespie School. (Cordele, Georgia.)
Rev. S. A. Clark, and Mrs. Clark, Misses Young and McCarthy.
Cordele is in the heart of the great cotton belt of the state and has a large Negro population. Gillespie is a Christian school; the Bible is a daily textbook. Industrial training and a twelve year normal course are provided.

TUE 13

Washington Avenue School. (Macon, Georgia.)
Mrs. W. G. Holly.
Troy School. (Troy, South Carolina.)
Rev. J. P. Woolbridge, Mrs. Woolbridge.
Walterboro School. (Walterboro, South Carolina.)
Mrs. Baker, Miss B. E. Brown.

WED 14

Boggs Academy. (Keyesville, Georgia.)
Rev. J. L. Phelps and Mrs. Phelps.
Louisburg School. (Louisburg, South Carolina.)
Miss A. R. Mitchell.
Sarah Lincoln School. (Aberdeen, South Carolina.)
Rev. J. W. Rankin, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Byrd.

THU 15

Monticello Academy. (Monticello, Arkansas.)
Rev. O. L. Wallace, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Johnson.
The products raised on our farm have so simplified the boarding problem that it is not a problem any more. The students work on the farm and furnish wood for fuel.

FRI 16

April

"To Interpret Employer and Employee to Each Other."

SAT. 17 **Encouraging Self Help.** To help a man raise himself is better than to do all for him. By encouragement, sympathy and an occasional lift the employer may win the gratitude of the workman, and the workman should plainly show that gratitude by faithful service.

What wait I for? My hope is in Thee.—Ps. xxxix: 7.

SUN. 18 **Relationship in Church Work.** The employer's church must always extend a welcome to the workingman when he comes to its services. He probably will not come very often, for social instincts are strong and social life is class-drawn, whether we like it or not.

Thou art my hope, O Lord God.—Ps. lxxi: 5.

MON. 19 **Methods of Industrial Peace.** Arbitration is the divine method when men cannot agree. Conciliation is Christian when men have entered into a dispute. Industrial co-operation and profit-sharing may help. Whatever the method, the spirit of brotherliness and of loving-kindness must always prevail.

Let me not be ashamed of my hope.—Ps. cxix: 116.

TUE. 20 **Political Power.** We have placed the balance of power in the hands of workingmen. They are waking up to the value of the ballot. This is the era of the common man. If the common man is Christian in his sympathies we need not fear for the future.

Thou art my hope in the day of evil.—Jer. xvii: 17.

WED. 21 **The Industrial Democracy.** The common people fought long for religious democracy—but they won. Then they struggled for political democracy—and conquered. To-day they are fighting for industrial democracy. The Church must help them in all that is fair and just.

In Thee, O Lord, do I hope. Thou wilt answer.—Ps. xxxviii: 15.

THU. 22 **Uniting in a Common Struggle** for the welfare of town and city and country, as patriots working side by side for the common weal, employer and employee will soon come to learn that "A man's a man for a' that."

Blessed is the man . . . . whose hope the Lord is.—Jer. xvii: 7.

FRI. 23 **Sociological Study.** Not through slumming parties—not as the entomologist studies his millions of bugs—not as a fad—not as types—must we study men, but as temples of the Holy Ghost;—seeking to know their needs, and then to intelligently and sympathetically supply them.

Take courage, all ye that hope in the Lord.—Ps. xxxi: 24.

"Hope will set the music ringing and quicken the lagging pace."

April

Miller Memorial. (Birmingham, Alabama.)
Rev. J. B. Bascomb, Mrs. Bascomb, Miss Rannah.
Morgantown School. (Morgantown, North Carolina.)
Rev. W. A. Grigg.
Billingsby Memorial. (Statesville, North Carolina.)
Rev. S. J. Wentz, Miss Murdoch, Miss Pickins.

SAT 17

Knoxville School. (Knoxville, Tennessee.)
Miss F. E. Mayers.
Good Will School. (Mayesville, South Carolina.)
Rev. and Mrs. I. D. Davis, Misses Davis and Lindsay.
Camden School. (Camden, South Carolina.)
Mrs. R. W. Muldraw.

SUN 18

Newton School. (Chattanooga, Tennessee.)
Mrs. M. A. Wilson, Misses Fletcher and Lewis.
McConnellsville School. (McConnellsville, South Carolina.)
Mrs. A. A. Jones, Miss Jones.
Rock Hill School. (Rock Hill, South Carolina.)
Rev. J. A. Wright, Mrs. Wright.

MON 19

Bristol School. (Bristol, Tennessee.)
Rev. H. M. Hyder, Mrs. Hyder.
Curry Industrial School. (Darlington, South Carolina.)
Rev. A. J. Jefferson, Miss L. Price.
Liberty Hill School. (Columbia, South Carolina.)
Miss R. E. Johnson.

TUE 20

Ingleside Seminary. (Burkeville, Virginia.)
Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Campbell, Rev. A. F. Hale.
The boarding school dates back to a small school near Amelia Court House, begun in 1866, taught by Miss Russell and Mrs. Niel. In 1891, the seminary was removed to Burkeville, Va.

WED 21

Ingleside Seminary. (Burkeville, Virginia.)
Misses Beechan, Wiles, Thornton, Jeter, Smith.
Ingleside has been a far-reaching force through the efforts and influence of the young women who have gone out from its training to shape other lives and communities.

THU 22

Scotia Seminary. (Concord, North Carolina.)
The first school was opened in 1867, under Dr. and Mrs. Dorland. In 1870 it was chartered as a "Boarding School for girls." In 1887, Dr. Dorland consigned his work to Dr. D. J. Satterfield and wife, who after twenty-one years' labor have now resigned.

FRI 23

April

"Through Twentieth Century Methods of Christian Work."

SAT. 24 **Preaching a Socialized Gospel.** Many a man has been converted spiritually but has failed to catch the social spirit. He believes he is obeying the first and great commandment; but he is neglecting the second, which Christ said was like unto it and of equal importance.

Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee—Ps. xxxiii: 22.

SUN. 25 **An Exchange of Talents.** Forming a collegiate relationship with a mission church, the employer's church may supply the means for engaging in a larger ministry; while the workingman may give his services, as he has opportunity and ability, for the building up of the Kingdom.

Thou hast made me to hope.—Ps. cxix: 49.

MON. 26 **A Ministering Church.** Some people call it an "Institutional" church. Others prefer the term "Socialized church." However it may be classified, its object should be to minster to all the needs of the people living in the community which are not being otherwise helpfully met.

I will hope continually.—Ps. lxxi: 14.

TUE. 27 **Creating an Atmosphere Favorable to the Church.** Various are the ways in which this may be done. First and foremost, by the lives of its members; then, by the work that it carries on; finally, by successful advertising methods based upon psychological principles.

Hope thou in God, for I shall yet praise Him.—Ps. xlii: 5.

WED. 28 **Aggressive Evangelism.** If men will not come to the Church we must take the gospel to them. "Go ye," is Christ's command to His Church. Out where the people are—there must the herald of glad tidings bear His message.

Hope in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy. —Ps. cxxx: 7.

THU. 29 **The Prophetic Spirit.** Too long have we been boasting of our glorious traditions. The vital question for us is,—what is the Church doing to-day? And more important still,—what is it planning to do to-morrow? Shall it meet the needs of coming days?

Hope in the Lord from this time forth and for evermore.—Ps. cxxxi: 3.

FRI. 30 **Correspondence Course in Applied Christianity.** The Department of Church and Labor maintains a practical course of study which equips those who desire to do a larger work—especially in industrial centers—for meeting the difficult problems of every day life among working people.

The Lord is my portion . . . . therefore will I hope in Him.—Lam. iii: 24.

"The Christian religion is a religion of hope."

April

Mary Allen Seminary. (Crocket, Texas), 1885.
Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Smith, Misses Barber and Ferguson.
"Each year for twenty years, from 150 to 200 girls have here received a Christian training, enabling them to help others of their race to be real home-makers and teachers of their own people."

SAT 24

Mary Allen Seminary.
Misses Gailey, S. E. Gailey, McPherson and Hosack.
The entire building is like a busy hive, no idlers are tolerated, yet all seem happy, and the girls as a rule appreciate their high privileges.

SUN 25

Mary Holmes Seminary. (West Point, Mississippi.)
Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Johnston, Misses McKay and Garrett.
Mary Holmes Seminary is the only Presbyterian school for girls in the great state of Mississippi with its 900,000 negroes. The pupils are willing and industrious; the advanced classes composed of very bright girls.

MON 26

Mary Holmes Seminary.
Misses Barr, McCaile, Sexton, Fitz Simmons, Gilson and Dale.
The Seminary aims to make the students teachers and helpers of their race. The general courses, a model Sabbath school and courses in cooking, sewing, laundering, general housekeeping, and nursing lead to this end.

TUE 27

Barber Seminary. (Anniston, Alabama), 1896.
Dr. S. M. Dabis, Misses Bell and McMinch.
Of the seventeen graduates ten teach in graded schools; one, an honor student at Pratt Institute, teaches domestic art; one is a bookkeeper, two teach music, one is a trained nurse, two care for their own homes.

WED 28

Barber Seminary.
Misses Donaldson, Ruse and Frick.
"We are surprised to see how readily and vigorously they get at work, stick to it and succeed in it." (Said of Barber graduates.)

THU 29

Co-Educational Schools.
The Woman's Department of the Freedmen's Board supports wholly or in part in addition to the above named schools twelve co-educational institutions. Their names are given in June.

FRI 30

May

Kindness

His Kindness

BLESS the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; Who crowneth thee with **lovingkindness** *and tender mercies; Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things . . . thy youth is renewed like the eagle. . . The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.*—Ps. ciii: 2-5, 8.

Our Lovingkindness

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, a heart of compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, long-suffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving each other, if any man have a complaint against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.—Col. iii: 12, 13.

ONE of the greatest lacks in Cuba is that of Christian literature. To help meet this need for the young, Dr. J. Milton Greene is translating a series of books in which the Gospel is set forth in interesting narrative form as shown in everyday life. Four of these books have been prepared by him during the past year. They are to be published by the American Tract Society.

SAT. 1 **Pre... Havana.** J. Milton Greene, D.D., missionary superintendent. Eleven organized churches—4 day schools, 10 teachers, 8 ordained ministers (4 natives), 3 licentiates, 25 stations, 3 theological students in Mexico City. Christianity discredited, priests despised, Bible unknown, Mariolatry predominant, Sabbath profaned, immorality widespread.

Shew Thy marvellous lovingkindness.—Ps. xvii: 7.

SUN. 2 **Havana.** (Salud 40. First Church.) Dr. and Mrs. Greene. Day and boarding school. Five elders, one deacon, one English service, five in Spanish weekly. Growing members from unshepherded masses. Sabbath home for our tourists.

Remember, O Lord, Thy tender mercies and Thy lovingkindnesses.—Ps. xxv: 6.

MON. 3 **Havana. Regla.** Rev. Antonio Mazzorana. Four elders, two preaching services, Sabbath school, Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. Marked unity, spiritual fervor, faithful witness bearing.

O continue Thy lovingkindness unto them that know Thee.—Ps. xxxvi: 10.

Learning from Him the art of being kind

O Lord, we beseech Thee to bless and to prosper this Thy household; grant us sweet reasonableness in all our dealings with one another; make us large-hearted in helping and generous in criticizing; keep us from unkind words and from unkind silences. Make us quick to understand the needs and feelings of others; and grant that, living in the brightness of Thy presence, we may bring Thy sunshine into cloudy places. Amen.

"Kindness in recognizing another's kinship—first kinned-ness to our own, and then kinned-ness to everyone.

"Genuine kindness oftenest comes from self-repression,—a cheerful message from a sad soul, a brave word from a trembling heart, a generous gift from a slender purse, a helping hand from a tired man. It is not your mood but the other man's need, that determines kindness."

"Have you ever had your day turn sunshiny because of a cheerful word? Have you ever thought whether this could be the same world because someone had been unexpectedly kind to you? You can make to-day the same for somebody. It is only a question of a little imagination, a little time and trouble. Think now, 'What can I do to-day to make someone happy?' Old persons, children, servants, even a bone for the dog or sugar for the bird! Why not?"

Work in Cuba.

Our workers in Cuba who know the situation far better than we can possibly do, are constantly pleading for advance. Our only difficulty is lack of funds. There are now four schools, with ten teachers, eight American and two Cuban.

SAT 1

The Situation in Cuba.

Cuba is awakening intellectually and seeking for the best. The intellectual attracts and if we are to win, the intellectual features of our work must be emphasized. Thus we shall compel respect for our religion.

SUN 2

Havana—Girls' School. (Havana, Cuba), 1901.

Miss Martha B. Hunter, principal; Miss Anna A. Hunter, teacher.

The Woman's Board has secured a suitable building for schoolrooms and teachers' home. The people are willing to pay tuition when it is possible to do so.

MON 3

May

TUE. 4 **Havana District.** Cerro, Concordia, Puentes Grandes, Marianao, Vedado and Bejucal. Fourteen services weekly. Supplied by Dr. Greene, the Revs. Mazzorana, Gregorio F. Martinez and Francisco Castro, and Alvaro Carriles, a student. Decided growth in constancy of attendance. Deepened interest in Bible study.

Hear me, O Lord; for Thy lovingkindness is good.—Ps. lxix: 16.

WED. 5 **Güines, Gamara, Loma and San José de las Lajas.** Rev. and Mrs. A. Waldo Stevenson. Five services weekly. Faithful house to house visitation. Hospital, jail and soldiers not neglected. Interesting work among children and youth.

Quicken me, O Lord, according to thy lovingkindness.—Ps. cxix: 159.

THU. 6 **Nueva Paz and San Nicolás.** Rev. and Mrs. Hubert G. Smith; Ricardo Viamontes, an elder and licentiate, also teacher of day school with thirty pupils. Work well established and constantly growing, with five services weekly. Unity and enthusiasm.

Let Thy lovingkindness and Thy truth continually preserve me.—Ps. xl: 11.

FRI. 7 **Güira.** Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Collazo. A prosperous city, rural district thickly populated. Three services weekly. A faithful group of united and earnest souls. Great need, a day school.

Let, I pray Thee, Thy merciful kindness be for my comfort.—Ps. cxix: 76.

SAT. 8 **Artemisa, Cayajabos, Carlota, Rio Honda, Minas and San Cristobal.** Mr. and Mrs. José López. Pastor a licentiate, fruit of missionary work in Spain (Santander). Six services weekly. A widespread and prosperous work. At last point an earnest group of twenty young people. Movement well advanced for church building.

How excellent is Thy lovingkindness, O God.—Ps. xxxvi: 7.

SUN. 9 **Labor Sunday.** This day has been set apart by organized labor, so that workingmen might hold special meetings in memory of departed comrades, and so that they might recognize the services of those who remain. The Church may to-day show her interest in the affairs of the toilers.

Thy lovingkindness is before mine eyes.—Ps. xxvi: 3.

MON. 10 **Sancti Spiritus and Cabaiguán.** Rev. and Mrs. Herbert S. Harris; Luis Gomez, elder and licentiate. Two organized churches. Seven services weekly. Gospel a marked and growing power in both centers.

Because Thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise Thee.—Ps. lxiii: 3.

Havana—Bible Ministry. TUE 4

"The Bible reader visits the homes at different places in the city where work is carried on, and also the hospital, finding the patients eager for the Bible and other reading matter that is distributed."

Güines School. (Güines, Cuba), 1902. WED 5

Miss Beulah L. Wilson, principal; Misses Mary Donnelly, Lucila Diaz, teachers.

Good work has been done under very unfavorable conditions. The new buildings made possible by the Summer Offering of 1908 will greatly enlarge and help the work.

Nueva Paz School. (Nueva Paz, Cuba), 1904. THU 6

Miss M. M. Coy, teacher.

This school has shown steady growth notwithstanding railroad strikes and the great poverty of the people, which rendered conditions in school work very difficult.

The Mothers of Cuba. FRI 7

The lower class consist of three types: those living in the patios of the city, those living in the shanty houses of the city suburbs and those living in the shack houses of the country districts; the last named form a large part of the population.

The Children of Cuba. SAT 8

The mothers are proud to have their children attend the mission schools. After visiting in their homes (?) one is amazed at the neat appearance of the children who come out of them, often without even a crumb of bread or a sip of coffee.

Sancti Spiritus School. (Cuba), 1903. SUN 9

Misses Anna Dougherty, Mabel J. Rogers, teachers.

The school is well attended and the progress of the pupils good. The want of accommodation is severely felt. No suitable building can be rented. The only hope for the school is in a new building.

Sancti Spiritus. MON 10

Misses Ida A. Pyland, Isabela Zayas, teachers.

The difficulties are many and great. The opening of a boys' school by the priests has hindered advancement; the tobacco shops in which the girls are employed hinder their advancement, nevertheless real progress is noticeable in the school.

May

TUE. 11 **Bahia Honda and Buenaventura.** Monthly services held by Dr. Greene and Mr. Martinez. Darkest centers intellectually and morally on our whole Cuban field, but soon to be connected with Havana by broad highway. Great need, a resident pastor.

I will praise Thy name for Thy lovingkindness and for Thy truth.—Ps. cxxxviii: 2.

WED. 12 **PORTO RICO. San Juan.** Santurce, Spanish (org. 1901). Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Gloeckner and native helper, Francisco Quiñones. Five outstations, one of which is supported by the Santurce church. Thus this church is living up to its birthright of privilege as one of the first organized churches in Porto Rico.

I have not concealed Thy lovingkindness and Thy truth.—Ps. xl: 10.

THU. 13 **San Juan.** Two churches, English (org. 1903) and Spanish (org. 1904). Rev. and Mrs. Edward A. Odell. A fine building, the "Hugh O'Neill Memorial," in the heart of the city has been secured and admirably arranged for both church and school purposes.

It is a good thing . . . . to shew forth Thy lovingkindness.—Ps. xcii: 1-2.

FRI. 14 **Toa Alta** (org. 1906). Resident native helper, Tomás Vidal Martinez, under direction of missionary from San Juan. Two outstations, Candelaria and Espinosa.

My lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him.—Ps. lxxxix: 33.

SAT. 15 **Corozal** (org. 1904) and **Naranjito** (org. 1905). Rev. and Mrs. H. T. Jason. New church building nearly completed at Corozal. The addition of Naranjito to this field is a new arrangement in the interest of efficiency and economy.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.—Ps. cxi: 4.

SUN. 16 **Isabela** (org. 1903) and **Quebradillas** (org. 1905). Rev. and Mrs. Edwin A. McDonald, and native helper, Luis Sanchez. A new church and manse have been a source of much comfort and added efficiency. Eight outstations are given regular services. One of them, Jobos, was organized into a church in March, 1908.

His merciful kindness is great toward us.—Ps. cxvii: 2.

MON. 17 **Aguadilla** (org. 1901), **Maleza-Alta** (org. 1905) and **Moca** (org. 1903). Rev. and Mrs. Leland H. Tracy, and native helpers, Juan B. Soto, Jacinto Roqué, Carlos Barrios and Alfredo Archilla. Isabel Salés and Maria de la Tejera, Bible readers. Our equipment on this field now includes both church and manse. A large outstation work is carried on.

Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits.—Ps. lxviii: 19.

Porto Rican Schools and Medical Work.
In 1900, the Woman's Board was called on to commence school work in Porto Rico. In that year one school was established. Now there are eight schools, twenty-nine teachers, over six hundred pupils in the schools, and a fine hospital at San Juan.

TUE 11

Santurce Bible Work. (San Juan, Porto Rico), 1902.
Mrs. Tomasa Rodriguez, Bible reader.
"We visited all the Presbyterian Mission stations on the island and I rejoiced again and again as I saw how anxious these down-trodden people are to learn, and how they are hiding God's Word in their hearts."

WED 12

San Juan School. (San Juan, Porto Rico), 1902.
Miss Margaret M. Weyer, principal.
"Our San Juan Mission school is in the O'Neill Memorial Building, which is centrally located in a quiet street in one of the best parts of the city. It is very attractive."

THU 13

San Juan School.
Miss M. H. Smith, teacher.
The schoolrooms are most comfortable, roomy, well-lighted and well-ventilated. In such a pleasant, wholesome environment the children—including rich and poor, Porto Ricans and Spaniards—are very happy and doing good work.

FRI 14

San Juan School.
"Little tots who can scarcely read and who cannot find the verses alone carry a good sized Bible around, and when the lesson hour comes they can say the verses through, often without mistakes.

SAT 15

Isabela Bible Work. (Isabela, Porto Rico), 1904.
Mrs. Ade la Sousa, Bible reader.
"It was touching to hear them repeat verse after verse . . . I could but feel that ten years more of such Christian teaching will so transform Porto Rico that a visitor of to-day would scarcely recognize it."

SUN 16

Aguadilla School. (Aguadilla, Porto Rico), 1900.
Miss Edith Sloan, principal; Miss F. R. Dickey, teacher.
The outlook here is most encouraging. From the school has gone out into the outlying regions a faithful band and real missionary work has been done on all sides.

MON 17

May

TUE. 18 **San Sebastian** (org. 1907). Rev. and Mrs. Eli S. Lheureux, and Mrs. Trinidad Dominguez de Boix, Bible reader. A mission school, independent of the Board, is maintained at Goacio. Five outstations have weekly services.

Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.—Rom. xiii: 9.

WED. 19 **Lares** (org. 1907). Rev. and Mrs. John H. Lewis, and native helper, José A. Lopez. Two outstations. Lares has been happy in finding workers to take up the work which Mr. Odell left to go to San Juan.

He that loveth his neighbor hath fulfilled the law.—Rom. xiii: 8.

THU. 20 **Añasco** (org. 1903), **Sabanetas** (org. 1906) and **Rincón** (org. 1908). Rev. and Mrs. Arnold Smith, native helper Antonio Rodriguez, and Mrs. Juana R. de Foucaud, Bible reader. Three outstations. Sore need of a church property is handicapping these devoted laborers. The field is one of large promise.

Owe no man anything, save to love one another.—Rom. xiii: 8.

FRI. 21 **Mayagüez.** Mayagüez Central (org. 1900) and Hormigueros (org. 1907). Rev. and Mrs. Judson L. Underwood; native helpers Victoriano M. Fernandez and Diego Rodriguez Nater, with one helper from the Training School; Lucia B. de Branizar, Bible reader. Seven missions and outstations.

Render to all their dues.—Rom. xiii: 7.

SAT. 22 **Mayagüez.** La Marina Church (org. 1908). Rev. and Mrs. Pedro Gil, and Gregoria Molina, Bible reader. A result of special evangelistic street meetings held by laymen from the Mayagüez Central Church, who, with Training School students, volunteered for the work.

By love serve one another.—Gal. v: 13.

SUN. 23 **Theological Training School** (Mayagüez). Faculty: president, Rev. Judson L. Underwood; professors, Rev. James A. McAllister, Rev. J. Will Harris (San German), Evaristo Lugo, Arturo Salguero, Rev. Pedro Gil. All save two give their services free and in addition to other duties.

Let all that ye do be done in love.—I Cor. xvi: 14.

MON. 24 **Theological Training School** (Mayagüez). Students: More than thirty preparing for evangelistic work among their people. They add practical training to that of the class-room, aiding materially in mission activities, thus saving the salary of several helpers who otherwise would be needed.

Let us follow after the things which make for peace.—Rom. xiv: 19.

Aguadilla School.
Misses Ruth E. Watts and M. J. Eakin, teachers; Miss Decorosa Sosa, Spanish teacher.
The pupils are deeply interested in Bible study. A number of instances are given when pupils have come to school early in order to spend the time in reading Bible stories.

TUE 18

Lares School. (Lares, Porto Rico), 1905.
Misses Jennie Herron, Della Penland, teachers.
"Our school grows constantly and we are gratified to have a better class this year than last. There is also a very noticeable improvement in the church and Sunday School."

WED 19

Añasco School. (Anasco, Porto Rico), 1903.
Misses Helen D. Snyder and Margaret E. Baker, teachers.
The Mission schools of Porto Rico are planting the seed for the Christian churches of the future. It is strange but true that parents will allow their children to come to our day schools but not to Sunday School.

THU 20

Annual Meeting of the Woman's Board of Home Missions held in connection with the General Assembly, Denver, Colorado.

FRI 21

Colegio Americano. (Mayagüez, Porto Rico), 1900.
Miss E. M. White, principal; Miss Lois Alexander, teacher.
The Colegio Americano, in the center of the town of Mayagüez, draws its pupils from the rather well-to-do classes. Boys are admitted to the lower grades.

SAT 22

Colegio Americano.
Misses Adeline Murphy, Helen M. King, teachers.
Girls are given a good education as far as the first high school grade. English is the official language but a Spanish teacher keeps the pupils well up in their own beautiful tongue.

SUN 23

Colegio Americano.
Miss Margaret Ponce de Leon, teacher; Miss Petronelia Ghigliotty, missionary.
A training class has been established by the Woman's Board which has already a large attendance. The study of the Bible is taken up with great eagerness.

MON 24

May

TUE. 25 **Home Mission Day at the General Assembly.** *From both oceans there shall go to every part of the world the evidence beyond any contradiction that America is Christian, not only in her church life, but in her politics, her commerce, and her social organizations."—John Dixon, D.D.*

Even Christ pleased not Himself.—Rom. xv: 3.

WED. 26 **"La Voz Evangélica."** Published at Mayagüez by our missionaries there,—an evangelical weekly for the upbuilding of native Christians. The press was purchased by contributions from our churches in Porto Rico, and is aided by the Board.

Let every one of us please his neighbor for his good.—Rom. xv: 2.

THU. 27 **Mayagüez Medical Mission.** Willis W. Creswell, M.D., and Mrs. Creswell. Native assistant and pharmacist, Sandalio Delgado. Clinics in Mayagüez and Cabo Rojo. More than 14,000 patients are helped annually toward health—physical and spiritual.

Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfil the law of Christ.—Gal. vi: 2.

FRI. 28 **Cabo Rojo** (org. 1904). Rev. and Mrs. James A. McAllister (residing in Mayagüez) and native resident helper, Gonzalo Nuin. One church with new building. The district includes six towns and nearly twenty thousand people. There are seven outstations.

Forbearing one another and forgiving one another.—Col. iii: 13.

SAT. 29 **Maricao** and **Las Marias.** Rev. and Mrs. Federico Garcia Dávila. Mr. Garcia is one of our first ordained ministers from our force of native helpers. A large mountain district of virgin soil, with no organized church; but the field is ripe for organization.

Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt.—Col. iv: 6.

SUN. 30 **San German** (org. 1903), **La Pica** (org. 1904), **Lajas** (org. 1906), and **Sabana Grande** (org. 1906). Rev. and Mrs. J. Will Harris. A new much needed church and manse at San German have greatly strengthened our work.

Study to be quiet, and to do your own business.—I Thess. iv: 11.

MON. 31 **San German.** Outstations, fifteen in number, are supplied by Mr. Harris. One of these is the Guanica Centrale sugar factory, where there is a large American element. In this out-lying service Mr. Harris is aided by native helpers, Emilio Castillo, José A. Martinez, José Velez Segarra and Celso Calderon. Mrs. Josefa Martinez, Bible reader.

Do good . . . . be rich in good works.—I Tim. vi: 18.

Marina Mission. (Mayagüez, Porto Rico), 1901.
Miss Clara E. Hazen, teacher.
This was formerly known as the Playa school. Excellent work is done here. The attendance is large and the teachers enthusiastic. The school has now a good home.

TUE 25

San Juan Hospital. (San Juan, Porto Rico), 1900.
E. Raymond Hildreth, M.D., resident physician. Miss Mary Platter, M.D., physician.
The Governor of Porto Rico a short time ago made the statement that there are only two hospitals worthy of the name on the Island. One of them is the Presbyterian Hospital of the Woman's Board.

WED 26

San Juan Hospital.
Miss Jennie Ordway, superintendent.
There are a million or more people on the island. In one year somewhere near 8,000 persons were treated in the hospital and dispensary. They came from all parts of Porto Rico, from Santo Domingo, Culebra and Vieques.

THU 27

San Juan Hospital.
Miss Edith J. Whitely, sup't of nurses; Misses M. L. Beaty, L. G. Williamson, nurses.
In a missionary hospital there are two distinct and inseparably connected parts, the purely medical and the religious work. The Bible is read to the patients every day.

FRI 28

San Juan Hospital.
Mrs. M. Craighead, matron.
Perhaps there is no one institution in Porto Rico in which so many loving hearts are interested as in this Presbyterian Hospital. It is indeed "the shadow of a great rock in a weary land."

SAT 29

San Juan Hospital.
Native Porto Rican nurses.
Sunday is a day hailed with delight by patients, nurses and servants for then the baby organ is taken into the ward and service is held in Spanish.

SUN 30

San German School.
Guillermina Nazario, teacher.
The need of schools where children can be trained in habits of industry and application that will tell throughout their lives, cannot be overestimated.

MON 31

June

Reverence

THRONES were placed, and one that was Ancient of Days did sit: His raiment was white as snow, and the hair of His head like pure wool; His throne was fiery flames, and the wheels thereof burning fire . . . .

Behold, there came with the clouds of heaven one like unto a Son of man, and He came even to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him.

And there was given Him dominion and glory, and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations and languages should serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.

This God is our God for ever and ever.

(For references see Dan. vii: 9, 13, 14; Ps. xlviii: 14.)

TUE. 1 **Fairbanks.** Rev. and Mrs. James H. Condit. An organized church with church building and manse in Alaska's largest mining center. "A great field. No end to the work that can and ought to be done," Mr. Condit writes.

God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints.—Ps. lxxxix:7.

WED. 2 **Other Interior Centers** which our Church has held with earnest missionaries whom exigencies either of changing local or personal conditions have removed. New and hitherto unhelped mining towns call earnestly for missionaries. Shepherdless but hungry, these sheep from His fold need our prayers.

To be had in reverence of all them that are about Him.—Ps. lxxxix: 7.

"Admiring Great Things, Greatly"

Grant me, O Lord, inward gravity of soul that I may daily attain to a deeper sense of Thy Presence and that, when I speak of Thee, I may ever attest and strengthen my inward reverence by my outward bearing.

Ennoble my soul with love to Thee so that no self-seeking, no little ends of low imaginations, may unhallow any of my words or actions.

Grant that I may admire great things greatly, and may never belittle by jest or criticism anything that may help others. Amen.

"If we can so present Christ that He shall grow larger, more of a friend, more wonderful and inspiring, the exponent of the loftiest principles in the world, with each succeeding year we shall have done much to insure response to His teaching and desire to follow His example."

"Let a man try to live with no sky, no God in his thoughts, no aspiration, nor adoration, nor awe of soul, will he reach higher or lower levels? As a man thinketh in his heart so is he, and so is his world. For those whose thoughts are earthly and sensual, this is a beast's world. For those whose thoughts are high and noble and heroic, it is a hero's world."

Mission Work in Alaska.

Southeastern Alaska in the operation of Presbyterian Home missions, comprises a division of the Alaskan field for whose support the Woman's Board is responsible. Religious work in Arctic Alaska, at Point Barrow and St. Lawrence Island, is also supported by the Woman's Board.

TUE 1

Conditions to be Met.

Many of the native people are yet in barbarism. The Indian "doctor" has a tenacious grip on native villages not visited by white people. Witchcraft is by no means a thing of the past in Alaska, though flagrant cases are fewer than formerly.

WED 2

June

THU. 3 **The Creeks.** Each considerable creek has one or more centers of population gathered about a town and post office. Eight thousand miners are at work within thirty miles of Fairbanks, and beyond this limit are many others on gold-bearing streams. Our workers are begging for reinforcements.

The Lord is great and greatly to be praised.—Ps. xcvi: 4.

FRI. 4 **Skaguay.** Rev. and Mrs. George E. Good are still in this important town between southeast and interior Alaska. Constant movements of the population compel patience, but there is gradual progress.

He is to be feared above all gods.—Ps. xcvi: 4.

SAT. 5 **Haines.** (Chilcats.) Rev. and Mrs. Allen F. McLean. Work here is far harder than formerly. Becoming more and more familiar with the white man's evil ways, the natives do not easily distinguish between the Christians and the others who apparently come from the same civilization.

The gods of the nations are idols: but the Lord made the heavens.—Ps. xcvi: 5.

SUN. 6 **Klukwan.** (Chilcats.) Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Falconer, with the assistance of the missionary pastor at Haines. Thirty miles up the river, Klukwan has fewer temptations, and the native work is correspondingly more encouraging, though not without its problems.

Honour and majesty are before Him.—Ps. xcvi: 6.

MON. 7 **Juneau.** Northern Light Church. Rev. and Mrs. David Holford, D.D., are ministering to the white congregation in this city of the north—so recently become Alaska's capital, and consequently so important a field for our Church.

Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.—Ps. xcvi: 6.

TUE. 8 **Juneau** and **Douglas.** (Auks and Takoos.) Rev. and Mrs. L. F. Jones. The native church at Juneau has many forms of social as well as religious activity which are a strong safeguard in holding the natives from temptation. The work at Douglas, three miles distant, is carried on with the aid of an interpreter.

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name.—Ps. xcvi: 8.

WED. 9 **Hoonah.** (Hydahs.) Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Whipkey minister to this isolated island people, who are nevertheless facing problems that come from contact with our un-Christian civilization.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.—Ps. xcvi: 9.

Point Barrow.
H. R. Marsh, M. D., Mrs. H. R. Marsh, missionaries.
"The awful silence and monotonous whiteness . . . To live here always would soon take all hope and life out of the soul. It is the work we do and the thought of relief at a stated time, that holds us up."

THU 3

Gambell. (St. Lawrence Island.)
Mrs. Edgar Campbell, missionary.
Dr. and Mrs. Campbell and the Government teacher are the only white people on St. Lawrence Island. *One mail a year* forms the only communication with the outside world.

FRI 4

Haines Hospital and Dispensary.
——— ———, nurse.
Special attention is given to tuberculosis and trachoma and an endeavor is made not only to treat the sick but to uplift the race along sanitary lines. In this teaching lies the hope of the race.

SAT 5

Sitka Hospital and Dispensary.
Miss Esther Gibson, nurse.
Miss Gibson's kindly administrations and timely advice have helped to save the lives of many. She is "in the heart of the battle against sickness."

SUN 6

Sitka Training School.
Mr. W. G. Beattie, superintendent; George J. Beck, assistant superintendent.
The Industrial Training School at Sitka is the only one of its kind in Alaska. Our Boys' Home and Girls' Home are old and somewhat dilapidated buildings and of course make the work difficult and trying.

MON 7

Sitka Training School.
Miss Edith G. Toon, teacher.
Of those who leave Alaska to secure education in the States few come back Christians. "Tell the people in the States that at our Sitka School our pupils learn *how* to live, how to overcome temptation."

TUE 8

Sitka Training School.
Miss Bertha M. Chace, teacher; Miss Bertha Kale, matron.
The Bible Training School has done good work. A number of pupils have been very faithful in Christian Endeavor work and in Bible study. Ten boys paid twenty-five dollars each, toward their own tuition.

WED 9

June

THU. 10 **Sitka.** (Thlingets and Whites.) Rev. and Mrs. Eugene E. Bromley are bringing to both the native and white churches here the earnest enthusiasm of the first year of their missionary life. The presence of the mission school makes the field one of special opportunity.

Fear before Him, all the earth.—Ps. xcvi: 9.

FRI. 11 **Klawock.** (Hydahs and Hanegahs.) Rev. and Mrs. David Waggoner are continuing their skilful leadership of a people who have learned to trust them. They need a hall which can be used for purposes of amusement, that the people may the better be kept from temptation.

Say among the heathen that the Lord reigneth.—Ps. xcvi: 10.

SAT. 12 **Howkan.** (Hydahs.) Samuel G. Davis (native), missionary, a former Sitka School student, labors under the direction of Mr. Waggoner. Steady progress on the field in Christian faith and works gives proof of his ministry.

The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice.—Ps. xcvii: 1.

SUN. 13 **Klinquan.** (Hydahs.) John Brown (native), missionary. Another former Sitka School student. One of our new and most promising fields of native work is opening here and demanding more care than it could receive as an outpost of Klawock, but it remains under Mr. Waggoner's supervision.

Clouds and darkness are round about Him.—Ps. xcvii: 2.

MON. 14 **Shakan.** (Auks and Takoos.) William Benson (native), missionary. Another of the former Sitka School "boys." Here is a church organized in 1907. Of its five elders four were students in the Sitka School. The field is full of promise and is under Mr. Waggoner's direction.

Righteousness and judgment are the habitation of His throne.—Ps. xcvii: 2.

TUE. 15 **Wrangel** and **Petersburg.** (Stickenes.) Rev. and Mrs. James S. Clark, assisted by William Wells (native, and another Sitka "boy"), are serving this combined field, for which a second white missionary is asked. There seems enough work at either Wrangel or Petersburg to fill one man's hands and heart.

His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw and trembled.—Ps. xcvii: 4.

WED. 16 **Saxman** (Tongas and Cape Foxes) and **Kasaan** (Hydahs). Rev. and Mrs. Edward Marsden, assisted by Henry Haldane (native) at Kasaan. Mr. Marsden with his missionary boat—*The Marietta*—continues his itinerant services among the natives scattered along the waterways of southeastern Alaska.

The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord.—Ps. xcvii: 5.

Sitka Training School (for all tribes). (Sitka, Alaska), 1880.

Misses Olive Kale, Susan Davis, matrons.

In spite of difficulties the work has gone steadily on, the girls have done well in general work and have been careful and industrious in the kitchens.

THU 10

Sitka Training School.

Mrs. M. F. Schuknecht, Misses Anna M. Sheets, Merle Tanner, matrons.

Could you see some of the work of the pupils in darning, patching and other sewing you would certainly agree that they learn to sew skilfully.

FRI 11

Sitka Training School.

Messrs. Douglas McTavish, H. P. Parks, industrial teachers.

The class in carpentering has had fine training. The boys have built a seven room cottage to be occupied by the superintendent and his family.

SAT 12

Christian Homes in Sitka.

The great benefits that have come to the people of Alaska through the school are seen in the homes that have been established. They are easily distinguished by their cleanliness and comfort.

SUN 13

Sitka Students in "the States."

Almost every boy and many girls from thirteen years up have visions of getting into some of the great schools in the States. They encounter there temptations for which they are not prepared—not the least is "being spoiled" by kind-hearted friends.

MON 14

Native Evangelists and Helpers.

From various tribes. Formerly pupils in the Sitka School.

TUE 15

The Native Church.

"I often wonder if we who have had religious training all our lives, and environment tending to uplift rather than to pull down our faith, would be as strong in resisting as are these native converts who have lived the Christian life but a few short years."

WED 16

June

THU. 17 **Cedar Rapids Presbytery** (Iowa Synod—self-supporting). Pray especially for the Bohemians, of whom there are many in this presbytery, that their revolt from the formalism of a State Church may not drive the descendants of John Huss from Christ and Christianity.

The heavens declare His righteousness.—Ps. xcvii: 6.

FRI. 18 **Corning Presbytery.** Pray for the work in the county-seat towns; that these centers of influence may be dominated by the influence of Jesus Christ and His righteousness.

All the people see His glory.—Ps. xcvii: 6.

SAT. 19 **Council Bluffs Presbytery.** Pray that in this region where once the native Americans—the Indians—gathered for council and action, the representatives of the newer spirit of America may be diligent in council and service for the Kingdom of God.

The Lord reigneth: let the people tremble.—Ps. xcix: 1.

SUN. 20 **Des Moines Presbytery.** Pray for the prosperity of our Church in the capital city of Iowa; and for the life and power of the gospel in the many weak churches of the rural communities of the presbytery.

Bless the Lord, ye His angels, that excel in strength.—Ps. ciii: 20.

MON. 21 **Dubuque Presbytery.** Pray for the Germans and the German churches; for the German Theological Seminary at Dubuque; that the movement for separate German presbyteries may be wisely guided by the great Head of the Church.

Bless ye the Lord, all ye His hosts.—Ps. ciii: 21.

TUE. 22 **Fort Dodge Presbytery.** Pray that in this especially home mission presbytery the Church may grow in power and efficiency; pray for men to give a loyal pastoral service in difficult fields, with something of the Master's spirit of self-denial.

Bless the Lord, all His works in all places of His dominion.—Ps. ciii: 22.

WED. 23 **Galena Presbytery** stretches from Wisconsin on the north to the German hill people of old Missouri on the south, and from the Mississippi river on the west to Ohio on the east. A territory freighted with great possibilities among the thrifty German people.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.—Ps. ciii: 22.

THE FREEDMEN.

THU 17

Hardin School. (Allendale, South Carolina), 1898.
Rev. W. H. Mitchell.
There is no field in the South where prospects are better for building up a strong Presbyterian Church and school than at Allendale. Already the community shows improvement in morals, intelligence and industry.

FRI 18

Albion School. (Franklinton, North Carolina), 1892.
Rev. J. A. Savage, Miss Lowrie.
Every graduate of this school finds immediate employment. Of the fifty-one teachers in the neighborhood every one has been trained in Presbyterian schools.

SAT 19

Arkadelphia Academy. (Arkadelphia, Arkansas), 1896.
Rev. W. D. Feasten, Mrs. Feasten, Miss Nelson.
The evidence that the people of the surrounding country are awakening to the benefits that the school is offering to them in the way of training and saving their children is gratifying.

SUN 20

Women's Interdenominational Home Mission Conferences, Northfield, Mass.; Winona Lake, Ind.; Mt. Hermon, Cal.; Boulder, Colo.

MON 21

Brainerd Institute. (Chester, South Carolina), 1868.
Prof. Marquis, Mrs. Marquis.
"Every seat is filled—yes, every corner; one boy has taken possession of a step-ladder in one corner of the room which serves him for both desk and seat."

TUE 22

Dayton Academy. (Carthage, North Carolina.)
Rev. H. D. Wood, Miss Annie Wood.
Dayton is a self-supporting boarding school, the pupils carrying their own provisions and cooking their own food. It has been in operation twenty-four years and its influence for good is manifest in town and country.

WED 23

Cotton Plant Academy. (Cotton Plant, Arkansas), 1886.
Rev. W. A. Byrd, Mrs. Byrd, Mrs. Sanford, Misses Smith, Perry, Cowan.
This institution is situated in the great cotton belt of the Southwest, in a densely settled portion of the state where public school facilities are exceedingly meagre; nine-tenths of the students pay their way.

June

THU. 24 **George Presbytery** consists of German churches in western Iowa, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas. The ministers of these churches are zealous home missionaries. Hundreds of young Presbyterian Germans occupy the new territories and earnestly pray for ministers to organize this increasing German population.

O Lord my God, Thou art very great.—Ps. civ: 1.

FRI. 25 **Iowa Presbytery.** Pray that this region, where Presbyterianism first established itself in Iowa, may be loyal to the faith, and ambitious for the fullest development of the Church; that the crossroads church may not pass out of existence in the changing conditions of rural life.

He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth.—Ps. civ: 32.

SAT. 26 **Iowa City Presbytery.** Pray that the churches of larger ability may not be indifferent to the needs of the more distinctly home mission parts of the synod; that the smaller churches may have a vigorous life.

He toucheth the hills, and they smoke.—Ps. civ: 32.

SUN. 27 **Sioux City Presbytery.** Remember the historic prayer meeting of the Revs. Sheldon Jackson, Clelland and Elliott on Prospect Hill, Sioux City, which initiated the aggressive western movement of Presbyterianism beyond the Missouri River; and ask that we may worthily imitate both their prayer and their service.

Remember His marvellous works that He hath done.—Ps. cv: 5.

MON. 28 **Waterloo Presbytery.** Pray that money and men may be secured to plant and sustain Presbyterianism in many progressive communities where it is not now represented, but is desired; give thanks for the success which has attended such work when it has been undertaken.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting.—Ps. cvi: 48.

TUE. 29 **Waukon Presbytery** (German) is largely confined to Iowa and Minnesota. Nearly all the churches are self-supporting and contribute to all the Church Boards. New churches are being organized this year. Many new fields are opening.

Exalt ye the Lord our God and worship at His footstool.—Ps. xcix: 5.

WED. 30 **Emporia Presbytery** (Kansas Synod) has a "Laymen's Auxiliary Home Mission Committee" appointed by the presbytery. The forty-eight men represent as many churches. The growing interest of our laymen assures success in our self-support movement. Faithful quarterly reports are increasing businesslike methods in our dependent churches.

Thou, whose name alone is Jehovah, art the most high over all the earth.—Ps. lxxxiii: 18.

Harbison College. (Abbeville, South Carolina), 1879.
Rev. C. W. Young, Mrs. Young.
The students are filling this institution to its utmost limits and prospects for great usefulness are bright. The farm is a great help in the support of the boarding department.

THU 24

Haines Industrial. (Augusta, Georgia), 1883.
Miss Lucy Laney, Miss Jackson, Misses Belcher and Davis.
The Haines Industrial has now 654 students on its roll, all hard at work. The city authorities give this Institution their hearty endorsement.

FRI 25

Mary Potter School. (Oxford, North Carolina), 1890.
Rev. G. C. Shaw, Misses Tucker, Dent, Sullivan, Adams, Mr. C. A. Johnson.
The future of this region depends upon improved methods of farming. The Negroes are dependent upon our schools to provide not only theory but practice. There is no part of the work more important.

SAT 26

Home Mission Study Classes in Summer Assemblies.

SUN 27

Swift Memorial College. (Rogersville, Tennessee), 1883.
Rev. W. A. Franklin, Mrs. Franklin, Misses Mabry and Eaton.
At Swift Memorial a visitor pronounced the "work almost ideal and the housekeeping entirely so." Many former students have shown appreciation and gratitude by gifts of money to aid the school.

MON 28

Oak Hill Academy. (Valliant, Oklahoma), 1886.
Rev. R. E. Flickenger, Misses Ahrens and Hall.
Thrift and order are apparent everywhere indoors and out. The work has been that of foundation laying, in morals, principles, practice, religion and letters, and gratifying results of it now appear.

TUE 29

Richard Allen Institute. (Pine Bluff, Arkansas), 1887.
Rev. T. C. Ogburn, Mrs. Ogburn, Mrs. Rambo.
The influence of this is extending and its scope of usefulness widening notwithstanding limited means and rather meager accommodations. The training given is moral and spiritual as well as mental.

WED 30

July

Courage

SALVATION will He appoint for walls and bulwarks.

This Book of the Law shall not depart out of thy mouth, but thou shalt meditate thereon day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous and then thou shalt have good success.

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of good **courage;** *be not affrighted, neither be thou dismayed: for Jehovah thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.*

Trust ye in Jehovah forever; for in Jehovah, even Jehovah, is an everlasting rock.

(For references see Isa. xxvi: 1; Joshua 1: 8, 9; Isa. xxvi: 4.)

THU. 1 **Highland Presbytery** (Kansas Synod—self-supporting) has been self-supporting for several years, hence it is naturally loyal to the synodical movement. Many of the pastors are using with splendid results the synodical literature, especially "The Questions and Answers for Kansas Presbyterians" and the "Kansas Home Mission Bulletin."

Be strong and of a good courage.—Josh. i: 6.

FRI. 2 **Larned Presbytery.** Synodical self-support was heartily endorsed by this presbytery before the synodical action. Fidelity to it by our churches is increasing denominational loyalty and ministerial zeal. We are looking for longer pastorates as a partial result.

Only be strong and very courageous.—Josh. i: 7.

SAT. 3 **Neosho Presbytery** has just passed through a church building era. It is ready to promote the self-support movement with the same zeal. The synodical meeting at Iola and an energetic pastor-evangelist will help greatly.

Be not affrighted, neither be thou dismayed.—Josh. i: 9.

The Infection of a Good Courage

Give me, our Father, strength of heart which will make my life straight and clean and fine, and enable me to follow Jesus Christ of Nazareth, who was not only the purest and gentlest, but also the bravest spirit that ever dwelt on earth. Fortify my spirit that I may meet life hopefully and be able to endure everything which Thou mayest please to send me. Amen.

A bored, discouraged, listless or unhopeful face is a sin against every one we meet; we quench so much of their sunshine, for depression and listlessness are terribly infectious. On the other hand it is equally possible to give the infection of a good courage. We render our deepest gratitude to those who thus make us feel the possibilities of life.

"Courage in the broader sense is an every day virtue. It includes the possibility of daring if it be called for; but from hour to hour in the long steady run of life, courage manifests itself in quieter, humbler forms,—in hope and cheerfulness, and activity, and fidelity, and truthfulness, and kindness, and such sweet, homely virtues as may find place in the narrowest and most uneventful life."

The Mountain Fields.
No more interesting field for missionary activities could be found than that included in the one hundred thousand square miles of the Southern Appalachians. It embraces important parts of eight great states and is shut in by its own great mountain barriers.

THU 1

The Mountain People.
In remote districts of the mountains there is a large and scattered population, who, cut off for generations from schools and works and educated leaders, have become largely illiterate. The remedy for these conditions is the establishment of schools.

FRI 2

Work for Mountaineers.
The Woman's Board twenty years ago began to establish schools. Day schools, academies and training schools have occupied important places. The Board has now 164 teachers, and Bible readers at 56 places.

SAT 3

July

SUN. 4 **Independence Day.** *Loyal to our Divine Leader, and in memory of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and of its signers, let us make our own its closing sentence: "For the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."*

The Lord thy God, He it is that doth go with thee.—Deut. xxxi: 6.

MON. 5 **Osborne Presbytery** has twenty-six churches and only half as many ministers. The churches labor under the disadvantages of smallness and isolation, which make it difficult to arrange satisfactorily for evangelistic services.

He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.—Deut. xxxi: 6.

TUE. 6 **Solomon Presbytery.** One of the good results of our self-support movement is manifesting itself. Several churches last year decided to "go it alone" and still be faithful to the synodical fund. Money hereafter will be received more as a sacred trust than as a free gift.

Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart.—Ps. xxvii: 14.

WED. 7 **Topeka Presbytery.** The synodical "League of 2,000," each of whom promises to pay at least five dollars for Kansas home missions during the year, is reaching Topeka Presbytery. Emergency calls have but emphasized the fine spirit of state-wide loyalty to every needy church.

The Lord hear thee in the day of trouble.—Ps. xx: 1.

THU. 8 **Ebenezer Presbytery** (Kentucky Synod) needs to enter the isolated mountain fastnesses. It needs mission stations in two or three cities. It needs to encourage a number of old and weak churches.

The name of the God of Jacob defend thee.—Ps. xx: 1.

FRI. 9 **Logan Presbytery.** Congregations weak and in rural communities or small towns, but loyal. Need more ministers.

He is a stronghold of salvation to His anointed.—Ps. xxviii: 8.

SAT. 10 **Louisville Presbytery** covers center of the state. Some good churches. Many open doors in city and country alike.

The Lord will give strength unto His people.—Ps. xxix: 11.

"Not braver than others
but brave five minutes longer."

July

Independence Day.

"The lover of liberty is always a lover of law. He desires to follow the best, not the worst, and he rebels, not against the restraints of justice, but against the constraints of power, not against the yoke of service, but against the chains of bondage."

SUN 4

Cortland Mission. (Cortland, Kentucky), 1896.

Mr. A. M. Ross, Mrs. A. M. Ross, missionaries.

In this remote mission field one Bible reader has carried on the work amidst dangers and trials of which the world will never know. The lonely cottage has been as a lighthouse in the mountains of Kentucky.

MON 5

Harlan School. (Harlan, Kentucky), 1892.

Rev. R. N. Alter, principal; Miss Almira Jewell, teacher.

In these mountainous districts are many young men and women and children, of whom it may almost be said that they have never seen the inside of a school book.

TUE 6

Harlan School.

Misses Laura B. Soule, D. B. Osborne, teachers; Mrs. R. N. Alter, matron.

A good public school in Harlan makes it possible for Harlan Academy to give a chance in life to many of these young people. The girls' home gives training also in home-making and home-keeping.

WED 7

Hindman Mission. (Hindman, Kentucky), 1896.

——— ———, missionary.

One Bible reader carries on work at three points, conducts Sunday Schools and prayer-meetings, holds sewing classes, and attends the people in the capacity of doctor and nurse.

THU 8

Hyden School. (Hyden, Kentucky), 1895.

Mr. C. W. Lowry, principal; Misses L. A. Post and Caroline Mallman, teachers.

This work has not been in vain. We can look around us with much pride on the neatly kept homes of a large number of our girls of past years. Hyden is a large school amongst a needy people.

FRI 9

Edward Hubbard Memorial. (Manchester, Kentucky), 1899.

Rev. H. K. Miller, principal; Misses S. N. White, W. P. Clemens, teachers.

We meet with some discouragements but the outlook is hopeful. The enrollment is nearly one hundred. With larger accommodations the number would be greatly increased.

SAT 10

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SUN. 11 **Princeton Presbytery.** The unavoidable friction resulting from the opposition to Union has made our work more difficult; but our churches are making commendable efforts to support Presbyterianism and with reasonable success.

The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous.—Ps. xxxiv: 15.

MON. 21 **Transylvania Presbytery.** The mountain district is in this presbytery and is real missionary territory. We have some strong churches but need men of heroic spirit.

The Lord redeemeth the soul of His servants.—Ps. xxxiv: 22.

TUE. 13 **Detroit Presbytery** (Michigan Synod—self-supporting). In the unevangelized corners of Detroit anarchy and foulness are bred, childhood is tainted, youth is vitiated and manhood everlastingly dwarfed. There are thousands of foreigners, thousands of unchurched, thousands of children spiritually neglected. The gospel is their only hope.

None of them that trust in Him shall be desolate.—Ps. xxxiv: 22.

WED. 14 **Flint Presbytery** is a great rural and village parish where elders and workers for the cities will be trained. The Christian life of the country determines the Christian life of the city. From village and rural churches the "ministry" of the country comes.

He is a buckler to all those that trust in Him.—Ps. xviii: 18.

THU. 15 **Grand Rapids Presbytery.** Here in the great fruit belt the alien and the native meet and mingle. The state is giving them a secular education, but only the gospel can make of them Christian Americans. Here is also the problem of the city.

He giveth strength and power unto His people.—Ps. lxviii: 35.

FRI. 16 **Kalamazoo Presbytery** is battling to sustain its long established mission work against the adverse conditions of a changing type of population, and the continuous removals from village and rural communities, where heroic struggle is necessary in order to maintain even the existence of the Church.

The Lord God is a sun and shield.—Ps. lxxxiv: 11.

SAT. 17 **Lake Superior Presbytery** is in a new country, just passing through its formative period, with a large mining and lumbering population, much of it transient. They are rough because of rough surroundings. It contains scattered communities where there is no preaching of the gospel. Laborers are few.

The Lord is my strength and my shield.—Ps. xxviii: 7.

"Heroism is not the absence of fear but the conquest of it."

July

SUN 11

For Presbyterian young women attending the Student Conferences of the Y. W. C. A.—Silver Bay, N. Y.; Asheville, N. C.; Cascade, Colo.; Seaside, Oregon; Lake Geneva, Wis.; Mountain Lake Park, Md.

MON 12

Manchester Mission. (Manchester, Kentucky), 1900.
Miss Hadessa J. McCay, missionary.
"We have had much opposition to our work in some quarters, but it is a comfort to know that when sickness or death or trouble come all turn to us."

TUE 13

Brown Memorial School. (Mt. Vernon, Kentucky), 1905.
Miss Rose McCord, principal; Miss Ruth B. Smith, teacher.
Whom these schools are helping:
"I make bold to say that there are at least two million native Americans who are living practically in the conditions of colonial times."

WED 14

Brown Memorial School.
Misses E. L. Hotchkiss, Alice Thornton, teachers.
"The chief difference is that the colonial people were consciously in motion and felt themselves to be in front of the progress of their time, while the mountain people have a depressing sense of being behind."

THU 15

Brown Memorial School.
Mrs. M. H. Hotchkiss, matron.
"It should be said further that the people are now more destitute of all the opportunities that go with education than any other people of our race in the world."

FRI 16

Pikeville School. (Pikeville, Kentucky), 1892.
Rev. Jas. F. Record, superintendent.
One hundred former students of Pikeville are now teaching in the mountains. Through these teachers the religious and educational influences are felt in the lives of five thousand mountain boys and girls.

SAT 17

Dwight Institute. (Erwin, Tennessee.)
Misses Addy B. Wyeth, A. L. Wintzer, teachers.
"These people need us and we need them. They need friendly guidance and financial aid. We need their patriotism, unjaded nerves and red blood to reinforce the vigor of the nation."

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SUN. 18 **Lansing Presbytery** comprises five of the wealthiest and most populous counties in Michigan. Schools and colleges abound. Christianity is emphasized. Yet only one hundred and seventy-eight were added to our churches by profession last year. "For Christ and His Church" must be the "Watchword."

My heart hath trusted in Him and I am helped.—Ps. xxviii: 7.

MON. 19 **Monroe Presbytery** is in the longest settled part of the synod. New work is scarcely thought of. Rural and village population is decreasing because of removals. Roman Catholicism is deeply rooted in many sections because of old French settlements and the influx of foreigners. Missionary effort is needed.

I sought the Lord, and He answered me.—Ps. xxxiv: 4.

TUE. 20 **Petoskey Presbytery** has an extensive lake coast and many interior lakes and streams, with many settlements of Indians and foreigners. It is a great summer resort and Sabbath desecration is common. Polite and pleasing immoralities demoralize Christian life and service.

God girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect.—Ps. xviii: 32.

WED. 21 **Saginaw Presbytery.** Wealth of pine now gone. Wealth of soil remains. Little stagnant towns left behind to spiritually starve. "Isms" thrive in the waiting towns. The Indian is gone; his pagan white fellow remains. The spirit of the "Lumber Jack" is still here,—yet Christ's Kingdom advances.

The Lord is the strength of my life.—Ps. xxvii: 1.

THU. 22 **Adams Presbytery** (Minnesota Synod). Territory, fifteen thousand square miles. Large and increasing foreign-speaking population; coldness and indifference on the part of professing Christians. Pray that the Holy Spirit may come upon Adams Presbytery, and that God's people may be willing in the day of His power.

Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation.—Ps. xviii: 35.

FRI. 23 **Duluth Presbytery.** With bounds that would encircle Massachusetts, New Jersey, Delaware and Rhode Island, our work calls for boundless faith and enthusiasm. We have iron for the world. The gospel alone can put iron into the souls of the thousands flocking to us.

Thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle.—Ps. xviii: 39.

SAT. 24 **Mankato Presbytery.** The work is broadening far beyond the limit of our means, although we have churches coming to self-support each year. Success in evangelistic campaigns has stirred our zeal for the larger work which so needs to be done.

O Lord, O my strength, haste Thee to help me.—Ps. xxii: 19.

Home Missions in the General Conferences of the Young People's Missionary Movement.

SUN 18

Flag Pond. (Flag Pond, Tennessee), 1901.
Miss M. F. Renick, principal; Miss Ida A. Olsen, teacher.
"I need not suggest the value of the day school. The blessings it has brought to our mountain homes cannot be measured this side of heaven."

MON 19

Mossop Memorial. (Huntsville, Tennessee), 1907.
Miss L. B. Wines, principal; —— ———, teacher.
Many difficulties have been met and much prejudice overcome in establishing this industrial school, which has grown and developed until there is now much cause for encouragement.

TUE 20

Jewett School. (Grand View P. O., Tennessee), 1903.
Misses E. J. Vickery, Elsia Tate, teachers.
The good that has been done through the day school, Sunday School and social work established at Jewett, in the heart of the Cumberland Mountains, can never be estimated.

WED 21

Juniper School. (Sevierville P. O., Tennessee), 1899.
Misses M. E. Tait, C. M. Parker, teachers.
"Twenty per cent of this population, ten years old and over, cannot read or write. One out of every five voters cannot read his ballot. We hope to change these conditions by the next generation."

THU 22

Ozone School. (Ozone, Tennessee), 1903.
Misses M. J. Rankin, Blanche Beasley, teachers.
The interest manifested by the people and the faithfulness of the pupils encouraged the teachers to work even beyond their strength. Results show what such work can produce.

FRI 23

Rocky Fork School. (Flag Pond P. O., Tennessee), 1905.
Misses Jennie Moore, Nannie Runyon, teachers.
Among the pupils at Rocky Fork there have recently been six men who came to the teachers asking permission to work out the tuition of their children.

SAT 24

July

SUN. **25** **Minneapolis Presbytery.** The prayerful need of the field is more city work and larger gifts to carry it on. The consolidation of Sabbath school work, city missions and the home mission work into the committee of Church Extension has given impetus to the work.

Thou didst encourage me with strength in my soul.—Ps. cxxxviii: 3.

MON. **26** **Red River Presbytery.** We have many fields ripe for the harvest, but neither the men nor the means for the reaping. Therefore, many precious sheaves lie ungathered. However, we will pray fervently and do with our might what our hands find to do.

Give Thy strength unto Thy servant.—Ps. lxxxvi: 16.

TUE. **27** **St. Cloud Presbytery.** Our work progresses steadily, but fourteen counties in Minnesota means that there is still "very much land to be possessed." Our greatest need is for men of consecration and energy, who are willing to do the hard work necessary to build up the fields.

I will strengthen them in the Lord.—Zech. x: 12.

WED. **28** **St. Paul Presbytery** is reorganizing its work on a new plan. It has appointed a Church Extension Committee whose object is to aid weak churches and secure the means with which to supply them with first-class pastors. Great things are expected from this new departure.

My grace is sufficient for thee.—II Cor. xii: 9.

THU. **29** **Winona Presbytery.** The account between this presbytery, all agencies, and the Home Board, all departments, balanced in last year's work. Three years before we drew out three times as much as we gave. The Lord sustaining, we will make further advance.

I, the Lord thy God, will hold thy right hand.—Isa. xli: 13.

FRI. **30** **Bell Presbytery** (Mississippi Synod) appreciates very much the assistance rendered by the Board in supplying the destitute churches with the gospel. It will hold special evangelistic services in all its churches this year with the hope of reaching the unsaved and strengthening the weak churches.

Encourage him, and strengthen him.—Deut. iii: 28.

SAT. **31** **New Hope Presbytery.** Twelve churches in this presbytery are beneficiaries of the Home Board. But for this aid it is doubtful if any of these churches could be supplied. Summer campaigns of special services have proved helpful.

Every one said to his brother, Be of good courage.—Isa. xli: 6.

"Spite of old sorrow and older sinning . . .
Take heart with the day and begin again."

July

Student Volunteers for Home Missions.

SUN 25

Sneedville School. (Sneedville, Tennessee), 1900.
Mr. M. B. Testerman, principal.
"Very few persons have any conception of all that our day school teachers are doing to bless the boys and girls and men and women in this mountain portion of our land."

MON 26

Sneedville School.
Misses Anne B. Orbison, Mary M. Chrisman, teachers.
The Normal Training Class gives an opportunity for the teachers of the public schools to improve themselves, and thus improve the work of the coming year.

TUE 27

Sycamore Mission. (Sneedville P. O., Tennessee), 1905.
Miss S. E. McBride, missionary.
The Bible teacher is pastor, doctor, nurse and housekeeper all in one! And what are the results? Transformed lives, transformed homes.

WED 28

Vardy School. (Sneedville P. O., Tennessee), 1898.
I believe all mountaineers have the true missionary spirit if rightly directed. The Woman's Board has already done much to keep the purity of these mountain people and to develop Americanism among them.

THU 29

Ozark Mountain Mission. (Ozark, Missouri), 1908.
The Synodical Society of Missouri plan to place three Bible readers in this field.

FRI 30

Patty C. Stockdale Memorial. (Lawson, W. Va.), 1901.
Misses V. M. Barnes, M. E. Trotter, missionaries.
The dormitory is called the "Priscilla Home," in honor of our pioneer missionary who worked so faithfully for the establishment of the school.

SAT 31

August

Truthfulness

WHATSOEVER things are **true**, *whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.*

LORD, who shall abide in Thy tabernacle? Who shall dwell in Thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the **truth** *in his heart.*

Sanctify them in the **truth**. *Thy word is* **truth**. *As Thou didst send Me into the world, even so sent I them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they themselves also may be sanctified in* **truth**.

Ye are in Him that is true, even in His Son Jesus Christ.

(For references see Phil. iv: 8; Ps. xv: 1, 2; John xvii: 17-19; I John v: 20.)

SUN. 1 **Oxford Presbytery** (Mississippi Synod) asks prayer for more efficient, self-denying, consecrated ministers; awakened and trained consciences of church members as to their financial ability and obligation in the support of the Church; the restoration of the family altar and a personal interest in winning souls.

Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.—Ps. xxxi: 5.

MON. 2 **Butte Presbytery** (Montana Synod). Four institutions for higher education here appeal to us for help,—one Presbyterian; the others, state schools. We need as teachers and ministers men and women loyal to the truth as it is in Christ Jesus, and able to reveal the same truth to others.

Let us draw near with a true heart.—Heb. x: 22.

TUE. 3 **Great Falls Presbytery.** We need leaders both in pulpit and pew, men who have sufficient perspective and faith to be willing to spend their time in laying foundations upon which others may build. We have large communities untouched by any form of religious life.

Behold, Thou desirest truth in the inward parts.—Ps. li: 6.

"The Towers of Truth."

"Grant us the knowledge that we need
To solve the questions of the mind;
Light Thou our candle while we read
And keep our hearts from going blind;
Enlarge our vision to behold
The wonders Thou hast wrought of old;
Reveal Thyself in every law
And gild the towers of truth with holy awe."

"An honest, earnest, true heart; a hand that will not stain itself with unjust gain, or hold an unequal balance, or sign a deceitful letter, or draw an unfair contract; a tongue that will not twist itself to a falsehood or take up an evil report; a soul that points as true as a compass to the highest ideal of manhood or womanhood,—these should be the marks and qualifications of God's people everywhere."

Applications for Positions under the Woman's Board.

"What makes a teacher successful is the power to impart joy. The end of a teacher's work should be to inspire in the pupil joy in learning, joy in the possession of truth."

SUN 1

Bible Work in West Virginia.

The Bible readers in West Virginia carry the gospel to the homes of the people, treat the people in sickness, hold prayer-meetings and conduct Sunday Schools. The membership of the Sunday Schools aggregates over 1,000.

MON 2

Acme Mission. (Acme, West Virginia.)

Misses M. E. Clingan, E. M. Clingan, missionaries.

"Our work is outgrowing us—the friendly attitude of all denominations for Presbyterians has led them to turn their Sunday School work over to us. We need more workers."

TUE 3

August

WED. 4 **Helena Presbytery.** More new fields are open, more points permanently occupied, and more progress made than any other year in our history. So much remains undone that we can only thank God and take courage, hoping that the current year will witness no backward step.

Thou, O Lord, art a God . . . . plenteous in mercy and truth.—Ps. lxxxvi: 15.

THU. 5 **Box Butte Presbytery** (Nebraska Synod). The greatest need of western Nebraska is that it should be settled by Christian people. This is missionary work. Let God's people take up this land in His name and for the establishment and extension of His Kingdom.

We can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.—II Cor. xiii: 8.

FRI. 6 **Hastings Presbytery.** This is still a day of small things here. Churches, not strong; people, not thoroughly familiar with Presbyterian doctrine or polity. We are doing our best; things are hopeful and eventually our churches will become strong and flourishing.

Thy law is truth.—Ps. cxix: 142.

SAT. 7 **Kearney Presbytery.** Our churches are better supplied with ministers than for years. They have recently made marked advance in home mission offerings. We hope for still larger gifts. A kind providence continues to bless us in material things. But we long for greater spiritual blessings.

The sum of Thy word is truth.—Ps. cxix: 160.

SUN 8 **Nebraska City Presbytery's** missionary fields are encouraging. They are ready to pay good men eight hundred dollars with parsonage. While the means are on hand we need workers capable of reaching the hearts of those blessed with money. This, to a large extent, will solve our missionary problem.

Thou wilt perform the truth.—Mic. vii: 20.

MON. 9 **Niobrara Presbytery.** Nine counties in northeast Nebraska. Many of our rural fields after prayerful and earnest efforts are unable to support a pastor without aid. Yet often it is only at these weak churches that the gospel can be heard. We need human and divine assistance.

Thou art nigh, O Lord, and all Thy commandments are truth.—Ps. cxix: 151.

TUE. 10 **Omaha Presbytery.** Our mission field is the Omaha Indians, among whom the Spirit of God is manifestly present. Three consecrated servants of God are doing a noble work for the Omaha tribe and deserve the earnest prayers of the whole Church in that work.

Righteous and true are Thy ways, Thou King of the ages.—Rev. xv: 3.

"The truth of a life usually lies deep down."

August

Clear Creek. (Clear Creek, West Virginia), 1896.
____ _____, missionary.
It is abundantly proved that these mountain people are well worth aiding in their upward trend toward the best that our country can produce in the way of strong Christian citizenship.

WED 4

Dry Creek. (Dry Creek, West Virginia), 1900.
Mr. George A. Reaugh, Mrs. Geo. A. Reaugh, missionaries.
Presently the community begins to apprehend the advantage to be secured by a little extra exertion. One-roomed cabins are enlarged and made more attractive. Life becomes more tolerable as new aspirations enter the home.

THU 5

Jarrold's Valley. (Jarrold's Valley, West Virginia), 1898.
Misses E. A. Jackson, M. B. Newcomb, missionaries.
The Bible, always revered, is now made familiar because there is someone to read and explain its truth; its precepts become an active influence in the life of the community.

FRI 6

White Oak. (White Oak, West Virginia), 1907.
Miss Izora B. Hall, missionary.
Strong forces of transformation are at work. To trace the story to its finish is to tell of the training and development of many mountain boys and girls into a strong Christian man and womanhood.

SAT 7

Young Men and Women Choosing Their Life-Work.
There is crying need for trained teachers, willing to make the sacrifice of working at missionary salaries. The best mental and spiritual equipment is needed for successful work.

SUN 8

Brush Creek. (Cabell P. O., West Virginia), 1904.
Misses C. E. Heminger, E. N. Robinson, missionaries.
To a little mountain community comes a missionary teacher of the Woman's Board, who knows how to make much of little and who from the simplest materials transform the cabin into a pretty mountain home.

MON 9

Gorman's Bridge Mission. (Gorman's Bridge, N. C.), 1907.
Miss Mary Hull Morse, missionary.
The work at Gorman's Bridge (near Asheville) came under the care of the Woman's Board two years ago. Club work, mothers' meetings and the Sunday School are actively carried on, and their influence is strongly felt.

TUE 10

August

WED. 11 **Elizabeth Presbytery** (New Jersey Synod—self-supporting) embraces a membership of eleven thousand, belonging largely to churches of one hundred and fifty or more. It is largely within commuting distance of New York. As in all such sections, the problem of the foreigner presses.

All His works are truth.—Dan iv: 37.

THU. 12 **Jersey City Presbytery.** The need of work for the foreigner is very insistent. Not only is the large population of Jersey City included, but such problems as Paterson are here to be faced squarely by the Church. There are eleven Presbyterian churches in Paterson alone.

The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.—Ps. xix: 9.

FRI. 13 **Monmouth Presbytery** numbers forty-eight churches. None has a membership of five hundred. Many are small, several vacant. Here is much fine historic association. Many congregations feel the depletion of the steady stream to the cities. A portion of the Jersey coast resort section is included.

Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.—John viii: 32.

SAT. 14 **Morris and Orange Presbytery** embraces the finest section of the New Jersey-New York commuting district. It probably takes highest rank throughout the Church in per capita home mission giving, $3.43 for all home mission causes being credited to it in the *General Assembly Minutes* of 1908.

He shall judge . . . . the peoples with His truth.—Ps. xcvi: 13.

SUN. 15 **Newark Presbytery.** Among the hundred largest cities of the world, Newark is sixteenth in size among those of the United States. The foreigner is here in immense numbers. Practically all of the thirty-nine are city churches, in Newark and near, facing the city problem.

The Lord show kindness and truth unto you.—II Sam. ii: 6.

MON. 16 **New Brunswick Presbytery.** Six churches number more than five hundred members each. Two of the leading churches are in Princeton. In New Brunswick a large Magyar enterprise has been fostered. In Trenton, the largest city, there is considerable work among foreigners—especially among Italians.

The word of the Lord in thy mouth is truth.—I Kings xvii: 24.

TUE. 17 **Newton Presbytery.** Smallest in the synod in numbers, occupying the northwestern portion of the state. Of the thirty-six churches thirteen have a membership each of less than one hundred; nine more than two hundred. Here is the foreigner and here also the country church.

His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.—Ps. xci: 4.

"To be truthful means to be 'at attention,' mentally."

August

Allanstand School and Mission. (Allanstand, N. C.), 1898.
Miss Helen G. Shartle, missionary.
Allanstand is the first named of the schools of the "Laurel Field" (Aug. 11-20) of which Miss Frances L. Goodrich is superintendent.
"All of these smaller schools are feeders for the Asheville work."

WED 11

Bee Log Mission. (Burnsville, North Carolina.)
Rev. Frank P. Hiner, missionary.
Burnsville is a large district (see December) with many tributary schools and missions. The opportunities are great and are only beginning to be touched.

THU 12

Mark Lance Memorial. (Big Laurel, North Carolina), 1898.
Misses O. Henricks, B. L. Clark, B. Vernon, teachers.
"The boys of the Big Laurel school are very skilful amateur wood carvers. The girls handle their needles as skilfully as the boys do their knives. We have a study class of ten members."

FRI 13

Gahagan School. (Belva, North Carolina.)
Misses I. H. Russell, J. C. Moore, teachers.
These schools are preparing the voters, the homemakers and the teachers and leaders who are bringing the mountain people back into their rightful positions.

SAT 14

Vacancies Still to be Filled in the Schools of the Woman's Board.
There is constantly need for Bible readers, class-room teachers, industrial teachers and matrons, or missionary physicians and nurses. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest."

SUN 15

Stella Jewell Memorial. (Revere, North Carolina.)
Misses M. M. Russell, E. I. Estridge, teachers.
Our children are very interesting and we are very fond of them. Some pay tuition in money, but most of them provisions—eggs, fruit, and vegetables. This saves us time and trouble.

MON 16

Rice Cove School. (Big Laurel, North Carolina.)
Miss S. S. Mathes, teacher.
"From their own testimony I am sure that they feel that the religious instruction received in the school is of great benefit to them. I meet the women once a week for Bible study."

TUE 17

August

WED. 18 **West Jersey Presbytery** embraces the entire southern portion of the state, including Atlantic City and other resorts of the Jersey coast. It has several large churches, but a larger number of small churches than any other presbytery of the synod. Thus it faces the home mission problem directly.

Mercy and truth be with thee.—II Sam. xv: 20.

THU. 19 **Pecos Valley Presbytery** (New Mexico Synod). Pecos Valley is virgin soil. No part of the mountain country is filling up more rapidly. The newcomers are largely Americans, and are founding homes, schools and churches. Artesian wells furnish water for the fields. May the churches be wells of spiritual water.

Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.—John i: 17.

FRI. 20 **Phoenix Presbytery.** Lawns, meadows and harvests, where recently were deserts! Streams of water lie close under the sand; men died of thirst with water almost in reach. The spiritual deserts are but seeming; the spiritual streams develop life and beauty that greatly cheer the laborers.

Master, we know that Thou art true.—Mark xii: 14.

SAT. 21 **Rio Grande Presbytery.** The Synod of New Mexico has located at Albuquerque a Sanitarium in which to treat the victims of disease from all states of the Union who here seek to be made whole. In this undertaking your sympathy and generous co-operation are needed.

I have chosen the way of truth.—Ps. cxix: 30.

SUN. 22 **Santa Fe Presbytery.** Our civilization reaches back to the beginnings of American history, but the Christian forces are new and inadequate to the demands. Mexicans, Indians and whites all claim our help "In His Name."

My mouth shall utter truth.—Prov. viii: 7.

MON. 23 **Southern Arizona Presbytery.** Our Mexicans are many and increasing. They have a lion's share of irreligion, crime and neglect. Indian and Mexican native workers should be trained *now* rather than *some time.* Six self-supporting American churches now—eight years ago, none. We are laying foundations.

Love truth and peace.—Zech. viii: 19.

TUE. 24 **Albany Presbytery** (New York Synod—self-supporting). Fifty-one churches. Besides Albany, Schenectady, Saratoga Springs and adjacent cities and towns included. A number of rural churches. Influences of history reaching back to days of Dutch patroons still felt in some communities. Each committee leading in presbyterial mission work.

Execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates.—Zech. viii: 16.

"Sincere love of truth is inspired by example."

August

Shelton Laurel. (Alleghany P. O., North Carolina), 1901.
Miss Frances L. Goodrich, superintendent of the Laurel Field; Misses E. B. Fish, K. L. Smith, teachers.
"The Presbyterian Church faces great responsibility in behalf of the peop'e since it first placed the wedge of hope into the mountains."

WED 18

Upper Shelton Laurel. (Alleghany P. O., N. C.), 1899.
Miss Inez Bullard teacher; Miss H. W. Bissell, M.D., missionary.
No immigrant element here—pure, true, Anglo-Saxon blood, material worthy our best efforts. Great responsibilities and rare opportunities face us in the education of these mountaineers.

THU 19

Spill Corn. (Big Laurel, North Carolina), 1905.
Miss Beulah Vernon, teacher.
"It is indeed a pleasure to see the children assemble in our little chapel—at the summons of a small hand bell, like the 'Liberty Bell,' cracked in service."

FRI 20

Marshall Academy. (Marshall, North Carolina), 1894.
Miss Elizabeth L. Penrose, kindergarten teacher.
The Church and Clubhouse, the Sunday School and Missionary Society sound a clear note of steady growth and progress."

SAT 21

Newly Appointed Missionaries.
"Another page of life
Is opened unto me.
Oh, blessed Spirit, write thereon
What seemeth best to Thee."

SUN 22

Big Pine. (Big Pine, North Carolina), 1904.
Misses Lula Darby, Mattie P. Darby, teachers.
The day schools all show work planned carefully and proceeding on the right track. In all Bible Study forms part of the day's work and is most interesting, and thoroughly enjoyed.

MON 23

Little Pine School. (Marshall, North Carolina), 1901.
Miss Florence M. Ricketts, teacher.
We sent four of our girls to the Asheville schools this year; others hope to go next year, also some of the boys who are preparing to enter the Farm School.

TUE 24

August

WED. 25 **Binghamton Presbytery.** Seven churches in the city; thirty-two in presbytery. Cortland another large center. "Nearly half the churches helped" from synodical home mission funds. The "country church problem" insistent.

Speak ye every man the truth with his neighbor.—Zech. viii: 16.

THU. 26 **Boston Presbytery** includes Presbyterian churches of New England, except Connecticut. Immense territory and forty churches. Many churches reaching laboring classes. The staunch element of many communities composed of immigrants from Nova Scotia and Canada. European immigration enormous.

Buy the truth and sell it not.—Prov. xxiii: 23.

FRI. 27 **Brooklyn Presbytery**—"The City of Churches," forty-four Presbyterian; ninety-four ministers. All the difficult problems of the city church, including large foreign population to be reached.

He that uttereth truth sheweth forth righteousness.—Prov. xii: 17.

SAT. 28 **Buffalo Presbytery.** Immense foreign population. "In the city of four hundred thousand only one hundred twenty-five thousand native American stock." Active presbyterial committee. Country work well organized. Missions among surviving Iroquois Indians on their reservations.

The lip of truth shall be established.—Prov. xii: 19.

SUN. 29 **Cayuga Presbytery.** Auburn and Ithaca important centers. Number of country churches. Students of Auburn Seminary do much regular and occasional preaching.

Carry back words of truth to them that send thee.—Prov. xxii: 21.

MON. 30 **Champlain Presbytery.** Eastern section of Adirondack region. Twenty churches, broadly distributed. Many summer resorts. Large though scattered population unreached.

The law of truth was in his mouth.—Mal. ii: 6.

TUE. 31 **Chemung Presbytery.** Twenty-three churches. Elmira principal city. Development of rural churches important.

The Spirit of truth . . shall guide you into all the truth.—John xvi: 13.

Emily McDivitt Memorial. (Little Pine Mission.) (Marshall, North Carolina), 1901.
Rev. Hugh McCarroll, missionary.
"There are eighteen women in our Missionary Society. We have a home topic, a foreign topic and a Bible lesson. Most of the members give a little money at each session."

WED 25

Walnut Run. (Marshall, North Carolina), 1903.
Misses Mabel Franklin, Jennie Allison, teachers.
Fifty enrolled scholars in the school and a promising outlook for the year; all meetings are helpful and interesting. The work here and at five other points has sprung from Marshall Academy.

THU 26

Walnut Spring. (Marshall, North Carolina), 1895.
Misses M. I. Tipton, Jessie P. Tipton, teachers.
A prosperous opening and a large attendance. Seven students from our community are in attendance at our boarding and industrial schools.

FRI 27

Laura Sunderland Memorial. (Concord, N. C.), 1888.
Miss Melissa Montgomery, principal; Miss Minette Crawford, teacher.
Two miles out of the city stands Sunderland Hall, filled with girls from the mills and farms and from the mountains. Home life is well brought out, and class room instruction is excellent.

SAT 28

Disabled Missionaries.
"Sometimes I feel a little 'blue' while I wait; but I think the dear Father that cares for the sparrows will never forget me."—(From a missionary letter.)

SUN 29

Laura Sunderland Memorial. (Concord, N. C.), 1900.
Misses G. M. Sample, M. Grisewood, teachers; Misses A. Bryan and M. McCartney, matrons.
Home industries and economies are developed. We find a delightful spirit of helpfulness and no selfishness among the girls.

MON 30

Banks Creek. (Cane River, North Carolina), 1900.
Miss M. P. Gray, missionary; Miss Isabel Mitchell, teacher.
We notice a wonderful change in the character of our scholars. Those who last year were hot-headed—losing their tempers upon the slightest provocation—are radically changed.

TUE 31

September

Steadfastness

HAST thou not known? hast thou not heard? The everlasting God, Jehovah, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary; there is no searching of His understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to him that hath no might He increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: but they that wait for Jehovah shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye **steadfast,** *unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.*

(For references see Isa. xl: 28-31; I Cor. xv: 58.)

WED. 1 **Columbia Presbytery** (New York Synod—self-supporting). Opposite the Catskills, east side of the Hudson River. No large cities. Nineteen churches in nineteen different towns and villages.

He is the living God and steadfast forever.—Dan. vi: 26.

THU. 2 **Genesee Presbytery.** Eighteen churches in care of thirteen pastors and supplies. Batavia the largest railroad center. "The country and village church."

He steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem.—Luke ix: 51.

"This One Thing I Do"

Give me, O Lord, a steadfast heart which no fickleness may sully; give me an unconquered heart which no tribulations can wear out; give me an upright heart which no unworthy purpose may turn aside.

Help me to go on with all the work to which I may have set my hand, even when it may have ceased to interest me; make me loyal to all claims upon me, unswerving in performing promises, and reliable in all things. Amen.

"To do some work that is needed, and to do it thoroughly well; to make our toil count for something in adding to the sum total of what is actually profitable for humanity; to make two blades of grass grow where one grew before, or, better still, to make one wholesome idea take root in a mind that was bare and fallow; to make our example count for something on the side of honesty, and cheerfulness, and courage, and good faith, and love—this is an aim for life which is very wide, as wide as the world, and yet very definite, as clear as light."

"When the doing of a proper thing has been decided upon then it ought to be done at any cost save actual wrong doing. There is nothing that so quickly and surely demoralizes our character and our will power as failure to carry out our plans. There is nothing that so tones up and builds up character and will power as resolute, insistent carrying out of plans at heavy cost to ourselves."

The President of the Board, Mrs. Darwin R. James.

The first President of the Woman's Board (known from 1878 to 1897 as the Woman's Executive Committee) was Mrs. Ashbel Green. In 1885 Mrs. James was elected to the position and still remains the beloved President.

WED 1

Ways and Means Committee.

The Ways and Means Committee is composed of eleven members of the Woman's Board, together with the Chairmen of the Standing Committees, and constitutes a body to consider important questions to be brought before the Woman's Board as a whole. Its meetings are held twice a month.

THU 2

September

FRI. 3 **Geneva Presbytery.** Lake region. Seneca, Cayuga and Canandaigua lakes. Twenty churches. Home of synodical superintendent of home missions. Several strong organizations in large towns.

The Lord is good; His lovingkindness endureth forever.—Ps. c: 5.

SAT. 4 **Hudson Presbytery.** Next above New Jersey, west side of Hudson River. Forty-six churches; several strong and missionary; ten with membership of more than two hundred each; twenty with less than one hundred members each.

His righteousness endureth forever.—Ps. cxi: 3.

SUN. 5 **Long Island Presbytery.** One of three presbyteries on Long Island. Eastern end. Sharing to a degree in the recent development of the island. Twenty-three churches. The many coast resorts both help and hinder development of church work.

His praise endureth forever.—Ps. cxi: 10.

MON. 6 **Labor Day.** In every American city working-men will to-day celebrate their national holiday. In mass meeting and in literature they will tell of their problems, their hopes and their aspirations. The Church may, by its interest, make the toilers understand that she really cares.

The truth of the Lord endureth forever.—Ps. cxvii: 2.

TUE. 7 **Lyons Presbytery.** Seventeen churches, several strong. On Lake Ontario and Erie Canal, east of Rochester. Important centers are Palmyra, Newark, Lyons. Country churches nearer lake coast.

The word of the Lord abideth forever.—I Pet. i: 25.

WED. 8 **Nassau Presbytery.** On Long Island. Greatly affected by extension of New York City suburban district. Several churches of remarkable history, probably the oldest organizations of the denomination, dating from seventeenth century. Old Dutch element influential in many communities.

Every one of Thy righteous judgments endureth forever.—Ps. cxix: 160.

THU. 9 **New York Presbytery.** Fifty-six churches in the city boroughs of Manhattan, the Bronx and Richmond (Staten Island). One hundred eighty-three ministers. Headquarters for innumerable church organizations and administrative agencies, among them Boards of Home and Foreign Missions. The funnel spout of the nation for the stream of immigration. Between two and three millions of foreign population included in the whole of the city. The "laboratory" of the Board's Immigration Department.

Thy name, O Lord, endureth forever.—Ps. cxxxv: 13.

Officers.

The officers of the Woman's Board are a President, Vice-Presidents from the various synods, Secretaries and a Treasurer. They are elected at the Annual Meeting held at the time of the General Assembly. They have headquarters at 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

FRI 3

Office Workers.

That each one being commissioned by Christ will determine resolutely to fulfil His purpose and perform the service as unto Him.

"For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love."

SAT 4

Field Secretary for the Northwest.

"The need of the hour is for a more general church to church visitation, with a simple recital of the work of the Woman's Board of Home Missions, accompanied with facts showing just what it means to the 'people among whom the mission schools are located.'"

SUN 5

Field Secretary for the Pacific Coast, Miss Julia Fraser.

"My time has been spent in thirty-one presbyteries of six great synods and the regret is keen that eight presbyteries needing help and encouragement could not be visited at all this year, the distances being so great that it was impossible to cover the points."

MON 6

Field Secretary for the Southwest, Miss Edith Hughes.

The Southwest rejoices to report a year of phenomenal growth and unprecedented progress. In the seven states which comprise the territory so designated, the number of women's missionary societies has more than doubled during the past year. We may now claim nine hundred.

TUE 7

Speakers.

Pray that the promise may be verified in the renewal of strength and that patience may have her perfect work.

That the messages given may be full of inspiration and the indifferent impressed with the possibilities of establishing in our land that righteousness which exalteth a nation.

WED 8

Treasury.

The Treasury should be "a repository of abundance" and it may be if the women of our Church are true to the obligation resting upon them. Every woman of the Church a contributing member of the Missionary Society would so increase the revenue that payments need never be deferred.

THU 9

September

FRI. 10 **Niagara Presbytery.** Extreme northwestern corner of the state as New York City is the extreme southeastern. Much industrial development from harnessing of the Falls. Twenty-three churches, several strong. Several country churches.

He that is steadfast in righteousness shall attain unto life.—Prov. xi: 19.

SAT. 11 **North River Presbytery.** Newburg and Poughkeepsie, both sides of Hudson River. Many historic associations and historic churches. Rondout church entertained synod, fall of 1908. Thirty-two churches; ten with more than two hundred members each; ten with less than one hundred.

Thou shalt be steadfast and shalt not fear.—Job xi: 15.

SUN. 12 **Otsego Presbytery.** "The Cooper Country." Every locality rich with Indian legends—the heroes of which have long ago disappeared. Agricultural and dairy region. Twenty-nine churches, considerable proportion in country and small towns.

Beware lest . . . . ye fall from your own steadfastness.—II Pet. iii: 17.

MON. 13 **Rochester Presbytery.** City and vicinity. Two or three of the strongest churches in the denomination; two with over two thousand members each. Forty-eight churches; twelve with less than one hundred members each. Presbyterial committee has home mission work fully in charge. The city problem in all its phases.

Continue steadfastly in prayer.—Col. iv:.2.

TUE. 14 **St. Lawrence Presbytery.** Western Adirondack region. Forty-one churches. Several important towns and cities, but much territory with scattered population.

Our hope for you is steadfast.—II Cor. i: 7.

WED. 15 **Steuben Presbytery.** Twenty-six churches. Hornell and Corning the principal cities, with strong organizations. Six churches with less than one hundred members each. Thriving country churches.

Hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end.—Heb. iii: 14.

THU. 16 **Syracuse Presbytery.** City and vicinity, as far north as the Ontario Lake. Railroad and manufacturing industries. Strong churches in and out of the city. Oswego, Fulton and other important centers. Forty-two churches; twenty with less than one hundred members.

Abide ye every man in his place.—Ex. xvi: 29.

"Plain devotedness to duty—steadfast and still."

September

School Department.
The mission school of the Woman's Board is an evangelizing agency and is everywhere either the forerunner or the right arm of the Church. Through its influence, communities are being transformed and children educated to become good citizens. Number of schools, 166. Pupils, 10,057.

FRI 10

Young People's Department.
This is a joint department, the receipts from Christian Endeavor Societies, Young People's Societies and Sunday Schools being equally divided between the Board of Home Missions and the Woman's Board. The Department furnishes field letters, special programs, study class helps and personal instruction.

SAT 11

Synodical and Presbyterial Young People's Secretaries.
The work of the Young People's Department is presented to local societies by 230 secretaries who are in constant communication with the chairmen of missionary committees or other leaders, and with headquarters—a loyal band of workers.

SUN 12

Young People's Societies and Leaders.
The organizations of young people are a vital factor in this work. Their systematic study, giving and praying will tell in the years to come. Fully 8,000 societies with their leaders. What a strong Presbyterian force!

MON 13

Intermediate and Junior Societies and Leaders.
"The hope of the Church is in the young." Several thousand Intermediate and Junior Societies are sharing in this work. Many would be added to the number if the call for leaders were heeded. The children are eager to help. They need definite instruction.

TUE 14

Study Classes and Leaders.
There is a marked advance in the number of study classes. Interest aroused by them leads to enlarged gifts in personal service. They should furnish much needed leaders for Young People's Societies.

WED 15

Sunday Schools.
There is no department of Church life equal to the Sunday School for the sowing of Missionary seed.

THU 16

September

FRI. 17 **Troy Presbytery.** Foot of the Adirondacks. Troy has ten churches. A manufacturing center with considerable foreign population. Forty churches; sixteen with less than one hundred members each.

Let that abide in you which ye heard from the beginning.—I John ii: 24.

SAT. 18 **Utica Presbytery.** Forty-four churches, several strong. Large and small churches in agricultural and dairy sections. Old Welsh communities. Hamilton College has given many ministers to the Presbyterian Church. Large laboring population in industrial centers, for example, in Utica and at Pennington works in Ilion.

Whosoever abideth not in the teaching of Christ, hath not God.—II John: 9.

SUN. 19 **Westchester Presbytery.** Westchester County, immediately above New York City, and Connecticut. Forty-two churches, many strong. Vigorous home mission work under presbyterial committee.

Prove all things: hold fast that which is good.—I Thes. v: 2.

MON. 20 **Bismarck Presbytery** (North Dakota Synod). With our "magnificent distances" the problem is to reach the country districts effectively. We are in danger of materialism. Pray that these isolated men and women may be kept steadfast, and their children won for Christ.

Hold fast the form of sound words . . . in faith and love.—II Tim. i: 13.

TUE. 21 **Fargo Presbytery.** Encouraging progress. Almost half our fields have reached self-support. A spirit of larger service is manifest in largely increased offerings to missions. We need men for our work, deeper consciousness of evangelistic obligation, and greater zeal for missions.

Hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering.—Heb. x: 23.

WED. 22 **Minnewaukon Presbytery.** Pioneer work practically ended; foundations laid; houses of worship and several manses provided; congregations supplied with ministers; and many looking toward self-support. Material prospects bright all along the line; but we need a mighty outpouring of the Spirit from on high!

Hold fast that which thou hast, that no one take thy crown.—Rev. iii: 11.

THU. 23 **Minot Presbytery.** Born April 15th, 1908, 90 x 138 miles in extent, sixty thousand people on its prairies. Minot the only self-supporting church. Pray that this little empire of new settlers and new villages may have pioneer Christian workers and that God's people here may be true.

Hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope.—Heb. iii: 6.

"The highest reward of our best work is the ability to do better work."

September

Missionary Box Department.
This department presents to societies the needs of boarding schools, and arranges for Christmas boxes for all schools, also furnishes information to societies desiring to prepare boxes for missionaries. Many schools and homes have been cheered and comforted through the work of this department.

FRI 17

Leaders.
Bands and Cradle Roll Tens would multiply one hundred fold but for lack of leaders. Pray that young women of consecration and zeal may be found to lead the youth and the little ones in this happy service. Mission Study Classes should furnish many leaders for children.

SAT 18

Literature Department.
The publications of this department comprise organization helps, narratives, leaflets giving general and special information, textbooks on Mission study, devotional helps, including Services of Praise and Prayer, and the Prayer Calendar.

SUN 19

The Home Mission Monthly, an Illustrated Magazine.
The first number appeared in November, 1886. The present issue is 32,000 copies. This publication has always been self-supporting, and has in addition given large sums for the maintenance of work on the Mission field, and this without the aid of advertisements.

MON 20

Over Sea and Land, a Missionary Magazine for Boys and Girls.
Circulation 18,000. It contains stories, pictures, puzzles and Junior Topics, Leader's Helps, suggesting study, practical work, games and entertainments. Two series of hand work give ideal employment for Sunday School classes, for the home or Junior society.

TUE 21

Synodical Societies.
A synodical society is a committee of women, appointed usually by the Synod. The Secretaries of the Woman's Board confer with the synodical officers and through the synodical corresponding secretaries send their communications to presbyterial officers who in turn pass them on to auxiliaries.

WED 22

Presbyterial Societies.
A presbyterial society is made up of the various auxiliary societies of the churches within the limits of a presbytery, which is a district determined by the geographical position and number of churches. The number of presbyterial societies is two hundred and thirty-nine.

THU 23

September

FRI. 24 **Mouse River Presbytery.** A comparatively new presbytery. New territory; but the railroads have already tapped its various rich parts. It shares in the rapid growth in population of the state and needs consecrated, self-denying men to possess the land for Christ.

My righteousness I hold fast and will not let it go.—Job xxvii: 6.

SAT. 25 **Oakes Presbytery.** Four years old. The work is responding well and the outlook encouraging. Pray for the workers now on the ground, also that reinforcements and the means to help support them may be speedily forthcoming.

That which ye have, hold fast till I come.—Rev. ii: 25.

SUN. 26 **Pembina Presbytery** numbers forty-seven churches and twenty-five ministers. Many of these are dependent upon the Home Board, but they are advancing toward self-support. New lines of railroad bring many permanent settlers who need the gospel. More men and more money are needed.

If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as sons.—Heb. xii: 7.

MON. 27 **Athens Presbytery** (Ohio Synod—self-supporting). With its twenty-two home mission fields, and a majority of these vacant, it is doubtful if any presbytery in our synod makes greater demands for prayer or a larger claim for assistance.

Watch thou in all things, endure afflictions.—II Tim. iv: 5.

TUE. 28 **Bellefontaine Presbytery.** Eight churches with two mission preaching stations are under the care of the committee. The great problem of home missions has become most complex in the central synods.

Endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.—II Tim. ii: 3.

WED. 29 **Chillicothe Presbytery.** Seven home mission churches with two additional preaching stations. This, one of the old presbyteries, presents the problem of the once strong country church depleted by many removals.

He that endureth to the end, the same shall be saved.—Matt. xxiv: 13.

THU. 30 **Cincinnati Presbytery.** Fourteen home mission churches employing twelve ministers. The migration in recent years of the Presbyterian population to new situations demands a readjustment of church boundaries. New and promising organizations claim great care and provision.

If we endure, we shall also reign with Him.—II Tim. ii: 12.

"O the joy of work! The sense of self-mastery and the use of tools."

September

Local Societies.
A local society is an organization composed of the individuals of a church who band themselves together as a Missionary Society, auxiliary to the Woman's Board. Their approximate number is 4,320, with a membership of 121,573.

FRI 24

Westminster Guild.
The Westminster Guild is an organization of young women, the object of which is to promote the study of the Bible and of missions. Medical work at Haines, Alaska, has been assigned to the Chapters for their home mission contributions.

SAT 25

Bands.
Composed of young people from five to eighteen years of age—separate organization to meet the age. Many are contributing to their special object, the support of the Training School at Sitka, Alaska; others prefer scholarships—whatever stimulates to increased activity is the best object.

SUN 26

Cradle Roll Tens.
Organized for the purpose of forming the little ones into line, teaching them from babyhood the joy of service for the Master. Ten cents entitles each child under five years of age to be enrolled as a member of the organization. The support of kindergarten work among foreign speaking people is the special object assigned them.

MON 27

Home Department.
The Home Department, like the Home Department of the Sunday School, is for the benefit of those who are unable to meet with the Society and yet desire to be identified with it.

TUE 28

Native Helpers.
Among the Alaskans, Indians, Mexicans, Porto Ricans and Cubans, most of whom were educated in the schools under the Woman's Board.

WED 29

Reinforcements.
We need consecrated teachers and Bible readers to fill vacancies as they occur.

THU 30

October

Cheerfulness

I WILL give thanks unto Thee, O Jehovah; for . . . . Thou comfortest me. Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust and will not be afraid; for Jehovah, even Jehovah, is my strength and song; and He is become my salvation.

Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

Cry aloud and shout . . . ; for great in the midst of thee is the Holy One of Israel.

The kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

For he that herein serveth Christ is well-pleasing to God, and approved of men.

(For references see Isa. xii: 1, 2, 3, 6; Rom. iv: 17, 18.)

FRI. 1 **Cleveland Presbytery** (Ohio Synod—self-supporting). Eighteen churches receiving grants of aid. The problem of the man of foreign speech is most pressing in this presbytery. Foreign missions on American soil are here afforded a splendid opportunity.

A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance.—Prov. xv: 13.

SAT. 2 **Columbus Presbytery.** Seven churches receiving grants of aid. The growth of the capital city is such that strategic points must be occupied immediately if Presbyterianism and the Kingdom are to triumph unitedly in the immediate future.

He that is of a cheerful heart hath a continual feast.—Prov. xv: 15.

SUN. 3 **Dayton Presbytery.** Seven churches, together with four outstations, receive aid. Few new fields, but splendid enlargement of home mission churches, are presented by way of opportunity in this presbytery.

Heaviness in the heart of a man maketh it stoop.—Prov. xii: 25.

Good Cheer

Open my ears, O Lord, to the sound of Thy voice, my eyes to the beauty of life, and my heart to the needs of others.

Help me to resolve, in Thy strength, that I will take willingly and sweet-temperedly, all that may come to me this day of pain or annoyance and so far as in me lies make it a happy day for those I have to do with. Amen.

"Goodness of heart, freedom of spirit, gayety of temper and friendliness of disposition—these are four fine things, and doubtless as acceptable to God as they are agreeable to men."

"A friend once asked the composer Haydn, why his church music was always so full of gladness. He answered, 'I cannot make it otherwise. I write according to the thoughts I feel; when I think upon my God, my heart is so full of joy that the notes leap and dance from my pen; and since God has given me a cheerful heart, it will be pardoned that I serve Him with a cheerful spirit.'

"Pardoned? May it well be praised and rewarded, for God looks with approval and man turns with gratitude to every one who shows by a cheerful life that religion is a blessing for this world and the next."

Educational Work in Utah and Idaho.
"Christian educational work in Utah dates almost from the beginning of the work of the Presbyterian Church. The influence of the mission schools or the Woman's Board shows itself in the changes that are taking place in the public school system."

FRI 1

American Fork. (American Fork, Utah), 1879.
Misses —— ——— and Sallie Stewart, teachers.
"When the Presbyterian Church began work there was no public school system in Utah, and many question if there would be any yet, were it not for the splendid work of the Woman's Board."

SAT 2

Camp Mission. (Brigham, Utah), 1877.
Misses F. B. Thompson and D. M. Thompson, teachers.
Some features of this work are especially commendable —the calisthenics and general exercises, the singing and repeating of Bible verses. Progress is encouraging and the people are interested.

SUN 3

October

MON. 4 **Huron Presbytery.** Nine churches and an equal number of preaching stations. A new birth of enthusiasm has been given the work in this presbytery. Strenuous efforts at self-support are being made.

A merry heart is a good medicine.—Prov. xvii: 22.

TUE. 5 **Lima Presbytery.** Fourteen churches receiving aid. The numerous vacancies among the country churches of this presbytery constrain prayer that the Lord of the harvest will send forth laborers. Both new and old fields claim the prayerful consideration of the entire Church.

The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart.—Prov. xv: 30.

WED. 6 **Mahoning Presbytery.** Ten home mission churches with two out-stations. Again the problem of the foreigner looms large with great responsibilities and equal opportunities. Two churches and three Sabbath schools are an initial effort at meeting this peculiar need.

God giveth wisdom and knowledge and joy.—Ecc. ii: 26.

THU. 7 **Marion Presbytery.** Eleven churches receiving home mission aid and fourteen preaching stations under care of the committee. The village church, in many cases long established but small in numbers, here needs the prayerful regard of the Church. Young men for the ministry come from such.

Sing unto the Lord, all the earth.—I Chron. xvi: 23.

FRI. 8 **Maumee Presbytery.** Eight home mission churches properly grouped and doing faithful service. The growing city of Toledo presents unusual opportunity. Shall our cities become the menace or the hope of the future?

Let us make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.—Ps. xcv: 2.

SAT. 9 **Portsmouth Presbytery.** Fourteen home mission churches with three additional preaching stations. The Ohio River presbyteries are particularly needy. Numerous small though important churches need both men and money to carry forward the work. Many vacancies are reported.

Strength and gladness are in His place.—I Chron. xvi: 27.

SUN. 10 **St. Clairsville Presbytery.** Nine churches and four additional preaching stations are under the care of the committee. Many foreigners are found within the bounds of this presbytery. There are organized five Sabbath schools to meet the needs of these peoples of foreign speech.

Sing aloud unto God our strength.—Ps. lxxxi: 1.

"Wondrous is the strength of cheerfulness,"——

October

Fairview School. (Fairview, Utah), 1881.
Miss Luella E. Rolofson, teacher.
This is one of the discouraging fields. Visiting in the homes and mixing with the people accomplishes more than teaching can hope to.

MON 4

Ferron School. (Ferron, Utah), 1906.
Miss Margaret La Venture, teacher.
Ferron, fifty miles from a railroad, is situated in Emery County, which contains six towns with 8,000 people in all. The Mormons have an academy at Castle Dale, but there is no high school in the county.

TUE 5

Ferron School.
Misses Laura B. Stumbaugh and Maye Dennis, teachers.
A teachers' home has been erected at Ferron. Our hope for the future of Utah is with the young people, and our mission work is wielding a mighty influence upon conditions there.

WED 6

Gunnison School. (Gunnison, Utah), 1881.
——— ———, teacher.
The kindergarten has been very successful at Gunnison, being specially suited to prevailing conditions. The kindergarten teacher reaches the homes through the children.

THU 7

Hyrum School. (Hyrum, Utah), 1888.
Miss Mildred F. Lamb, teacher.
A public school with an eight-months' term diminishes attendance at Hyrum School, but the people of the town are friendly. There is a church of fourteen members. The school makes the church possible.

FRI 8

New Jersey Academy. (Logan, Utah), 1878.
Mr. J. M. Cathcart, principal; Misses S. M. Williams, Mabel Schadt, L. E. Stevenson, teachers.
"All in all we have not had a more encouraging ending for our school year since I came to Logan."—From Principal's report for 1908.

SAT 9

New Jersey Academy.
Miss M. E. Smith, music teacher; Miss K. L. Smith, matron.
"If the women of the Church could realize the changes wrought in the pupils from September to June there would be no trouble in raising the money to carry on the work."

SUN 10

October

MON. 11 **Steubenville Presbytery.** Nineteen churches under the care of the committee, of which one is for Slavs. Growing cities here demand the careful organization of the mission work of the presbytery.

Son, be of good cheer; thy sins are forgiven.—Matt. ix: 2.

TUE. 12 **Wooster Presbytery.** Eight churches receiving home mission aid, with a total of nine preaching stations, under the care of the committee. Special prayer should be offered that the young men in Wooster University, here situated, may appreciate the claims of the Church for home mission workers.

Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.—Matt. xiv: 27.

WED. 13 **Zanesville Presbytery.** Eight home mission churches employing four ordained ministers. Country churches and growing towns demand readjustments calling for careful oversight. Pray for the Church in Ohio.

Be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.—John xvi: 33.

THU. 14 **Ardmore Presbytery** (Oklahoma Synod) is in a fine agricultural, fruit and mineral region. Our real development is just beginning. New towns are springing up everywhere and new farming communities are forming. Our Church must have its share in holding the fair land for Christ.

Be of good cheer: for . . . . so must thou bear witness.—Acts xxiii: 11.

FRI. 15 **Choctaw Presbytery.** Largely Indian. White churches few and weak. A new and needy field.

Be of good cheer; for I believe God.—Acts xxvii: 25.

SAT. 16 **Cimarron Presbytery.** The wonderful development of this part of the new state of Oklahoma spells opportunity for the Church. The joy of foundation work, with possibilities of rapid growth and great results, is attracting able and consecrated men to our new fields.

Show forth His salvation from day to day.—Ps. xcvi: 2.

SUN. 17 **El Reno Presbytery** covers a fine territory in the newest state, where are growing towns and country communities.

Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.—I Chron. xvi: 10.

"Altogether past calculation its powers of endurance."

October

Manti School. (Manti, Utah), 1887.
Miss Bertha B. Leonard, teacher.
There is little hope of changing the adult population, for it means nothing less than tearing down the whole structure and digging up even the foundation. But there is always hope for the children.

MON 11

Mendon School. (Mendon, Utah), 1883.
Miss Leva T. Granger, teacher.
This is a stronghold of Mormonism, but the parents of the few children who attend are friendly and receive our workers kindly. There are Presbyterians in the place but no church organization.

TUE 12

Monroe School. (Monroe, Utah), 1877.
Misses Rosilla M. Lowry, Alice Haworth, teachers.
"No more successful school can be found in Utah than the Presbyterian school at Monroe. Work has gone steadily on year after year. The attendance is 72."

WED 13

Wasatch Academy. (Mount Pleasant, Utah), 1877.
Mr. W. W. McKirahan, principal; Miss J. F. Martin, assistant principal.
Wasatch Academy is a boarding and day school with a total enrollment of 168 pupils. Encouraging progress has been made. The Sunday School and Young Peoples' Societies are flourishing.

THU 14

Wasatch Academy.
Misses Edna McGraw, Harriet Woodward, Melicent I. Woods, teachers; Miss Nellie Ritchie, music teacher.
The school secures a hold on the younger generation and makes an impression which will endure.

FRI 15

Nephi School and Mission. (Nephi, Utah), 1879.
Mr. H. F. Syndergaard, teacher; Mrs. Syndergaard, missionary.
Nephi is under the brow of Mount Nebo. The Mormon people, ignorant foreigners mostly, have been taught to believe that this was the real Nebo from which Moses viewed the promised land. The work here is prospering.

SAT 16

Panguitch School. (Panguitch, Utah.)
Miss Abbie Sawyer, (to be supplied), teachers.
Panguitch is our newest school. The attendance is good and the teachers enthusiastic. An inviting opportunity is opening up before the workers on this interesting field.

SUN 17

October

MON. 18 **Hobart Presbytery** is wholly home mission ground except the Hobart church. Many churches are organized in country school houses. They are struggling hard to have preaching at least once each month. We need ministers with grit and grace enough to come to these fields and stay.

My servants shall sing for joy of heart.—Isa. lxv: 14.

TUE. 19 **Muskogee Presbytery.** A decade will witness undreamed changes in the Southwest. The population will rapidly increase. Financial aid will be needed. But the greater need is for church men and women, who will come and deposit their letters with us rather than leave them at home.

They joy before Thee according to the joy in harvest.—Isa. ix: 3.

WED. 20 **Oklahoma Presbytery** needs seventy-seven more ministers for the seventy-seven growing young cities where we have not yet preached the gospel. If the Presbyterian Church will furnish the means, we can furnish the ministers. Church of the Living God, we need more than your prayers.

The meek also shall increase their joy in the Lord.—Isa. xxix: 19.

THU. 21 **Tulsa Presbytery.** Pray that the "have been Christians" may be reclaimed; that the money seeking church membership may be revived; that the unconverted, unsaved may be won to Jesus Christ and that in building the material church we may not lose sight of her spiritual interests.

Is any cheerful? Let him sing praise.—Jas. v: 13.

FRI. 22 **Grande Ronde Presbytery** (Oregon Synod). Great counties, remoter settlements, few railroad facilities, and almost universal need for irrigation. Settlers are pressing in ahead of the Church. Only two self-supporting churches. A great home mission field. May God make us wise to use our opportunities for foundation laying.

O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing.—Ps. lvii: 7.

SAT. 23 **Pendleton Presbytery** in four years has grown from seven churches to twenty-one, and yet there is room. "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

I will sing with the spirit.—I Cor. xiv: 15.

SUN. 24 **Portland Presbytery.** Only one third of our churches support themselves. We have gone to self-support as a presbytery and expect to pay something to the Board after administering our own work. Our undertaking is vast and can succeed only by the favor of God.

I will offer in His tabernacle sacrifices of joy.—Ps. xxvii: 6.

"One may choose—the dark, cold side or the bright and sunny side."

October

Parowan Mission. (Parowan, Utah), 1880.
Miss M. E. Messick, missionary.
Parowan Mission, discontinued for a time for want of a worker, has been resumed. The work is promising.

MON 18

Payson School. (Payson, Utah), 1877.
Misses Emily Fleming, Katherine Troxell, teachers.
Clustering about Springville are several mission day schools. One of them is Payson, where excellent work has been done these many years.

TUE 19

Salina School. (Salina, Utah), 1884.
Misses Harriet Elliott, M. Bessie Hunt, teachers.
"I know a woman who, when middle-aged, came and took her place with God's people. She said the change was due to teaching received in one of our mission schools."

WED 20

Collegiate Institute. (Salt Lake City, Utah), 1878.
Mr. George B. Sweazey, principal; Fred J. Hart, assistant principal.
The Collegiate Institute has been a center of light for thirty years. Many students find here what is more enduring than even the mind culture which a mere secular school can furnish.

THU 21

Collegiate Institute.
Misses E. W. Wade, L. R. Paden, Hattie Buckles, teachers.
In the Collegiate Institute the Bible and the Constitution of the United States are textbooks, and Christian citizens are prepared, to be the hope of Utah.

FRI 22

Collegiate Institute.
Miss M. K. Moore, teacher; Miss E. Furry, matron.
The Institute is an admirable school of high grade. Young men and women from the mission schools prepare here for college or go out at once as teachers.

SAT 23

Smithfield School. (Smithfield, Utah), 1888.
Miss Theresa C. Stalker, teacher.
"In the little mission school at Smithfield was the dawning of a brighter day for me." Many good citizens—Christian men and women—say these words of the mission day schools of Utah.

SUN 24

October

MON. 25 **Southern Oregon Presbytery.** Its great problem,—to reach the unchurched in the mountain valleys and widely scattered communities. Hundreds of families are without gospel privileges. Home-seekers are pressing into our territory.

He brought forth His people with joy.—Ps. cv: 43.

TUE. 26 **Willamette Presbytery.** Its needs: more money to meet increasing demands; more missionaries, and more consecration. Its opportunities: never greater. Its response: increasing gifts from the home mission churches.

Ye shall go out with joy.—Isa. lv: 12.

WED. 27 **Blairsville Presbytery** (Pennsylvania Synod—self-supporting). The largest of the fifty-two churches is Johnstown, memorable for the disastrous flood of years ago,—memorable now as center of large population of laboring people, many foreigners.

Ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.—John xvi: 24.

THU. 28 **Butler Presbytery.** No large cities. Forty town and rural churches comprise the presbytery. Grove City College has given the Presbyterian Church a large number of ministers.

That they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.—John xvii: 13.

FRI. 29 **Carlisle Presbytery.** Fifty-four churches in the center of the state. Harrisburg, the capital, has seven churches, some with splendid history and present strength.

The joy of the Lord is your strength.—Neh. viii: 10.

SAT. 30 **Chester Presbytery.** Many strong churches among its fifty-six. Extreme eastern and southern section of the state. Much home mission work, foreign and native, demanding considerable draft of presbyterial and synodical funds. Lincoln University is here.

In Thy presence is fulness of joy.—Ps. xvi: 11.

SUN. 31 **Clarion Presbytery.** Sixty churches, large proportion small. Many vacant. A center of former Cumberland Church. Much of the original Pennsylvania oil region here. Look up Endeavor for remarkable record of small church.

Let the Lord be glorified, that we may see your joy.—Isa. lxvi: 5.

"A joyless Christian is a counterfeit Christian."

October

Hungerford Academy. (Springville, Utah), 1877.
Rev. A. H. Burkholder, principal.
Hungerford Academy is the outgrowth of an effort to establish a school of higher grade than the day school, to continue the uplift of the children and young people.

MON 25

Hungerford Academy.
Miss M. H. Martin, assistant principal; Misses E. B. Sidebotham, E. F. Thorpe, teachers.
Nearly every trade and profession has in it useful men and women who received in the Utah mission schools their first inspiration to better things. Hungerford Academy has furnished many such men and women.

TUE 26

Hungerford Academy.
Miss E. C. Herron, Mrs. A. H. Burkholder, teachers.
Beautifully situated in the midst of the mountains Hungerford Academy stands for true Christian manhood and womanhood. Some of the pupils are able to pay board and tuition, but scholarships are needed for others.

WED 27

Hungerford Academy.
——— ———, music teacher; Mrs. E. Hostetter, matron.
Christian education is the only thing that will finally undermine the power of Mormonism. Hungerford Academy is one of the agencies which is helping toward this end.

THU 28

St. George School and Mission. (St. George, Utah), 1880.
Miss Elizabeth Wilson, teacher; Mrs. F. M. Wilson, missionary.
At St. George the people are becoming more friendly and the pupils are much interested in Bible study.

FRI 29

Kaysville School. (Kaysville, Utah). Reopened 1908.
Mrs. F. H. Dalzell, teacher.

SAT 30

Preston School. (Preston, Idaho), 1903.
Miss Effie A. Roberts, teacher.
The teacher has been active and has had the support of the missionary, so that together they have done good work in the midst of very hard conditions.

SUN 31

November

Thankfulness

WHATSOEVER ye do, in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving **thanks** *to God the Father through Him.*

Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto him for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our LORD: neither be ye grieved; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

Blessed be Thou, O LORD, the God of Israel our Father, for ever and ever . . . In Thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all. Now therefore, our God, we **thank** *Thee and praise Thy glorious name.*

Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and **thanksgiving,** *and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.*

(For references see Col. iv: 17; Neh. viii: 10; I Chron. xxix: 10, 12, 13; Rev. vii: 12.)

MON. 1 **Erie Presbytery** (Pennsylvania Synod—self-supporting). On the lake; extreme northwestern section of state. Seventy-one churches, some large and of splendid history; many small and a number vacant. Much of the territory in the original oil region.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving.—Ps. c: 4.

TUE. 2 **Huntingdon Presbytery.** Allegheny mountains divide. Seventy-nine churches, five of more than five hundred members each. No very large cities. Altoona has five churches. Much manufacturing and railroad activity. Large laboring and foreign population.

Give thanks unto Him and bless His name.—Ps. c: 4.

"The Sunshine of the Way"

I give Thee hearty thanks for the rest of the past night and for the gift of a new day, with its opportunities of pleasing Thee; grant that I may so pass its hours in the perfect freedom of Thy service that at eventide I may again give thanks to Thee. Amen.

Forget not all the sunshine of the way
By which the Lord hath led thee—answered prayers,
And joys unasked, strange blessings, lifted cares,—
Grand promise echoes!

"Have you ever thought what it means to think? It means the action and reaction of the most delicate, involved and perfect instrument in the world—the human brain. It means the difference between animal and man. It means hope, faith, love and God." And "think" and "thank" come from the same root.

Los Angeles Mission. (Los Angeles, California), 1888.
Miss Carrie E. Crowe, matron; Miss Clara L. Smith, teacher; Miss Ida L. Boone, missionary.
"There are thousands of Mexicans in Los Angeles County and the Presbyterian Spanish mission at Los Angeles is constantly filled with interested girls. There is always a long waiting list."

MON 1

Ignacio Mission. (Ignacio, Colorado), 1902.
Rev. A. J. Rodriguez, missionary.
The Mexican of the United States has no sense of national feeling. He is still essentially a foreigner; "their best encouragement and outlook are bound up in the expression, Home Missions."

TUE 2

November

WED. 3 **Kittanning Presbytery.** Small, as Pennsylvania presbyteries go. Fifty-five churches; twenty-three less than one hundred members each; seven with more than two hundred each. Manufacturing and agricultural territory. Central western portion of state.

Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory.—I Cor. xv: 57.

THU. 4 **Lackawanna Presbytery.** Doubtless the largest rural presbytery of the Church in point of numbers; ninety-nine churches. Scranton the largest city with twelve churches. Intense railroad and other industrial activity. Immense foreign population, a large proportion coal miners. Successful work among Magyars and other races.

Thanks be to God which always leadeth us in triumph.—II Cor. ii: 14.

FRI. 5 **Lehigh Presbytery.** Forty-seven churches; thirty-five with more than one hundred members each. Much pure missionary field; large foreign population. Intense manufacturing, mining and other industrial activity.

Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift.—II Cor. ix: 15.

SAT. 6 **Northumberland Presbytery.** Considerably rural; twenty-one of the fifty churches with less than one hundred members each. Williamsport an important center of population and church activity. Work among foreigners important and being pushed.

Giving thanks always for all things.—Eph. v:20.

SUN. 7 **Philadelphia Presbytery.** Embracing large portion of city of Philadelphia, not all. Only three of the seventy-seven churches with membership of less than one hundred each; seven with more than one thousand members each. Immense population of foreigners. Every phase of difficult city problem. Witherspoon Building headquarters of large Board and other general Presbyterian interests.

Let us offer up a sacrifice of praise to God continually.—Heb. xiii: 15.

MON. 8 **Philadelphia North Presbytery** includes some rural territory and much suburban. Sixty-five churches. Foreign population less congested than in some other sections, but still numerous. Several very active missionary churches.

Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving.—Ps. l: 14.

TUE. 9 **Pittsburgh Presbytery.** The largest presbytery in the Church; one hundred forty-seven organizations; two hundred six ministers. Embraces city proper, with Allegheny and portion of suburbs. Work among foreigners pushed with special vigor. Presbyterial agencies highly organized in their interest. Immense industrial and foreign population.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving.—Ps. xcv: 2.

San Juan School. (Mogote P. O., Colorado), 1897.
Miss Mollie E. Clements, teacher.
"The more one sees and the more one knows of the Mexicans in the United States, the more apparent and multiplied their needs appear from every point of view."

WED 3

San Pablo. (San Pablo, Colorado), 1895.
Miss Georginea Boxwell, teacher.
"And the more one reflects upon the possibilities of the people, the more one wishes to do for them, for who can tell what the outcome will be for future generations?"

THU 4

Menaul School. (Albuquerque, New Mexico), 1887.
Mr. J. C. Ross, superintendent; Miss V. M. Alden, principal.
"To learn to speak English is the reason why the majority of the boys come to the Menaul School. They learn many other things also. Of course, the Bible is taught."

FRI 5

Menaul School.
Misses E. L. Smith, S. B. Sutherland, M. P. Webster, teachers; Miss Maud Hart, matron.
The boys and girls who have gone through Menaul or Allison are Americans, in language, habits and sentiments and are accepted as such by their American neighbors.

SAT 6

Menaul School.
Mrs. J. C. Ross, missionary; Miss M. D. Smith, matron.
The class room work is excellent and much has been accomplished in the various departments.

SUN 7

Menaul School.
Mrs. M. C. Stewart, Miss C. B. Heiskell, matrons; ——— ——— industrial teachers.
"We could cover double the number of pupils if we had room. The boys are not all from New Mexico. Two are from Old Mexico, and a large number come from Arizona and Colorado."

MON 8

Agua Negra School. (Holman P. O., New Mexico), 1879.
Miss Anna D. McNair, teacher.
"An adobe house with round roof like all the rest, but with clean-washed windows, white curtains and blooming plants—this is the teacher's home—the one ray of light in all this desolate region."

TUE 9

November

WED. **10** **Redstone Presbytery.** South of Pittsburgh. Sixty-two churches. McKeesport an important center with three churches. Twenty-five churches with less than one hundred members each, several vacant. The foreigner and the country church important problems.

With thanksgiving let your requests be made known.—Phil. iv: 6.

THU. **11** **Shenango Presbytery.** One of the three smallest in synod in number of churches,—thirty-four. Extreme western portion of state. No large cities but several considerable centers of population. Some work among foreigners organized; advance being made in other work.

Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving.—Ps. cxlvii: 7.

FRI. **12** **Washington Presbytery.** Extreme western and southern section of state. Washington and Jefferson College has given many ministers to the Church. President Moffatt an eminent leader. Considerable number of strong churches. Much rural territory not reached by railroad.

Stablished in your faith, ... abounding in thanksgiving.—Col. ii: 7.

SAT. **13** **Wellsboro Presbytery.** Smallest presbytery in synod. Seventeen churches, eleven ministers. North-central section. Territory largely rural.

O Lord, my God, I will give thanks unto Thee for ever.—Ps. xxx: 12.

SUN. **14** **Westminster Presbytery.** South central. Cumberland Valley. Lancaster, York and Columbia important centers. The problems of labor and the foreigner of pressing importance. Thirty-one churches; only five with less than one hundred members each.

I will give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, among the nations.—II Sam. xxii: 50.

MON. **15** **Aberdeen Presbytery** (South Dakota Synod). Forty thousand square miles. New fields, mostly small; men scarce. Pray that the Lord will send us men; that Christians may feel their responsibility and devote money and efforts to the Lord's work; and that our churches may come speedily to self-support.

I will give Thee thanks in the great congregation.—Ps. xxxv: 18.

TUE. **16** **Black Hills Presbytery.** Here settlers are flocking by the hundreds taking up government lands. We are unable to care for them religiously as we should. Consecrated men are now needed for vacant fields; others will be needed as fast as we can organize new territory.

At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto Thee.—Ps. cxix: 62.

John Hyson Memorial. (Chimayo, New Mexico), 1900.
Misses Prudence Clark, Pearl English, teachers.
"These people belong to the 'child races' and need long, careful training. The mission school is one of the most important agencies in supplying their needs."

WED 10

Arroyo Hondo. (Arroyo Hondo, New Mexico), 1895.
Miss Ada Hogan, teacher.
A very hard field, but the school has a large attendance and there are some signs of encouragement. "The hope of the Mexicans is in their children and *their* hope is in the mission school."

THU 11

Costilla School. (Costilla, New Mexico), 1888.
Miss L. C. Galbraith, teacher.
Opposition has been very decided at Costilla but the school has gone ahead and more than held its own. The pupils are more and more interested.

FRI 12

El Rito School. (Chacon P. O., New Mexico), 1889.
——— ——— teacher.
El Rito has some good material but it needs a thorough awakening to the advantages of an education. Some of the pupils realize this and their progress is indeed gratifying.

SAT 13

Embudo School. (Dixon P. O., New Mexico), 1887.
Miss Dora M. Fish, teacher.
This is one of the largest Protestant communities. The school is conducted in the church building. The Augusta C. Lockwood Teachers' Home is to give comfort to the workers at Embudo.

SUN 14

Las Truchas School. (Truchas, New Mexico), 1902.
Misses Victoria MacArthur, Maude MacArthur, teachers.
The work in this little mountain fastness—a school and church—result of a plea from the people of the region that Las Truchas might have a mission school. There is here a wide field.

MON 15

Las Vegas School. (Las Vegas, New Mexico), 1878.
Misses Laura W. Pierson, Mabel Allen, teachers.
Often the discouragements are great, but amongst all the difficulties the teachers are doing their uplifting work.

TUE 16

November

WED. 17 **Central Dakota Presbytery.** There is a dearth of shepherds. An intelligent, open-hearted, enterprising but worldly-minded people need shepherding. We are rapidly pushing into the front rank as an agricultural state. Consecrated men are needed to lead these people in the way of righteousness.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord.—Ps. xcii: 1.

THU. 18 **Dakota (Indian) Presbytery.** The critical hour for the Indian has come. Vices of civilization are coiling about this race, enervated by generations of base idolatry. So high an authority as Miss Estelle Reel, in her otherwise excellent summary of instruction, omits religion. Christians to the rescue!

I will give Thee thanks with my whole heart.—Ps. cxxxviii: 1.

FRI. 19 **Southern Dakota Presbytery.** New settlers from the East and beyond the seas are flocking here. This is our formative period, a strategic moment. Our future demands that we take the state for Christ now. We need earnest, consecrated workers to come and stay.

I will worship toward Thy holy temple and give thanks.—Ps. cxxxviii: 2.

SAT. 20 **Chattanooga Presbytery** (Tennessee Synod). Mountain schools, mining towns, country churches and city conditions are included in our work. We need men and money, but most of all the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

We give thanks, for Thy name is near.—Ps. lxxv: 1.

SUN. 21 **Columbia "A" Presbytery.** Among our loyal churches there is a remarkably hopeful and earnest spirit since Union. All ask earnest prayers for loyal sacrificing churches.

Give thanks unto the Lord, call upon His name.—I Chron. xvi: 8.

MON. 22 **Cookeville Presbytery.** The need of our presbytery is more men. We have a great many fields that have no workers. This presbytery is entirely missionary territory.

Give thanks at the remembrance of His holiness.—Ps. xxx: 4.

TUE. 23 **French Broad Presbytery.** Our greatest encouragement: two of our darkest counties utterly transformed by the influence of mission schools and churches. Our greatest discouragement: the independableness of so many of our church people and their failure to bear responsibility.

Save us . . . . to give thanks unto Thy holy name.—Ps. cvi: 47.

Ocaté School. (Hall's Peak P. O., New Mexico), 1878.
Mr. Epifanio N. Marez, teacher.
Thirty years of faithful work shows some fine results. Present teaching is equally faithful and reports tell of good missionary work done.

WED 17

Penasco School. (Penasco, New Mexico), 1888.
Miss Sue M. Zuver, teacher.
Nearly six hundred pupils have at some time received instruction in this school. Some of them are now teachers, some evangelists. Last year six pupils entered the New Mexican Industrial schools.

THU 18

Ranchito School. (Taos P. O., New Mexico), 1878.
Miss Nellie Scanland, teacher.
"The ignorance of the people, their indifference to learning to do anything that might better their condition, is a great drawback; but the desire to learn English is increasing and I have some bright pupils."

FRI 19

Raton Mission. (Raton, New Mexico), 1887.
Miss Celia J. Riley, missionary.
This is one of the best of the New Mexican day schools. Increased appreciation is shown by the willingness of the people to pay the tuition. The Sunday School and church are the products of this school.

SAT 20

Sunday School Service for Woman's Board.
The recommendation is made by the General Assembly that on the Sabbath preceding Thanksgiving Day our Sabbath Schools be requested to make an offering for the mission school work under the care of the Woman's Board of Home Missions.

SUN 21

Mary E. James School. (Santa Fé, New Mexico), 1908.
Mr. I. L. Tyler, superintendent; Miss M. E. Logan, missionary; Misses L. McElvancey, C. Henderson, matrons.
This school for the native boys of New Mexico, named in affectionate recognition of the high quality of service freely given for many years by Mrs. James, was opened in January, 1908.

MON 22

Allison School. (Santa Fé, New Mexico), 1870.
Miss A. Brengle, matron; Misses M. R. Forsythe, C. A. Rigg, teachers.
Many of the girls cannot speak English when they enter school, but here they learn our language and are trained in all household duties, besides being given a rudimentary education.

TUE 23

November

WED. 24 **Holston Presbytery.** Give thanks for: revivals in many churches, increased offerings from all missionary societies, fifteen candidates for the ministry. Pray for: a spiritual quickening of the churches, ministers to care for vacant churches, increased liberality in support of all missionary work.

Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto Thy name.—Ps. cxl: 13.

THU. 25 **Thanksgiving Day.** *"The deepest ground for thanksgiving is our capacity for thankfulness... We have eyes to see beauty, ears to hear music, minds to apprehend truth, hearts to feel love. These capacities make the joy of living. Let us be thankful not only nor mainly for the gifts, but for the power to respond to them as the harp-string responds to the breeze. This ability to tremble to the breath of God is the supreme and final thanksgiving appeal."—Charles L. Thompson, D.D., LL.D.*

All Thy works shall give thanks unto Thee, O Lord.—Ps. cxlv: 10.

FRI. 26 **Hopewell-Madison Presbytery.** Here are many old fields of special importance that must be sustained and developed by the fostering care of the Home Mission Board. In addition, there are a score or more new fields which are not only open, but inviting us to enter.

All the kings of the earth shall give Thee thanks, O Lord.—Ps. cxxxviii: 4.

SAT. 27 **McMinnville Presbytery.** Pray for the feeble congregations, for the mountaineers and miners, and for more workers.

It is good to sing praises unto our God.—Ps. cxlvii: 1.

SUN. 28 **Nashville Presbytery** is grateful for increased gifts to the causes of beneficence. Pray for the ability to enter important new fields.

Praise ye the Lord from the heavens.—Ps. cxlviii: 1.

MON. 29 **Obion-Memphis Presbytery** is praying for men and means to improve opportunity and do the work that is urgently pressing.

Praise the Lord from the earth.—Ps. cxlviii: 1.

TUE. 30 **Union Presbytery** seeks such a reviving from on high as will stem the tide of worldliness and bring to Jesus multitudes of souls.

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.—Ps. cl: 6.

"Let to-day sound a thankful note to ring through the year."

November

Allison School. (Santa Fé, New Mexico.)
Miss M. J. Morton, music teacher; Misses A. L. James, M. F. Robe, M. Morrow, matrons.
"I have not seen one of the girls of the Allison School whose home is not different from the general home where industrial work has not been taught."

WED 24

Thanksgiving Day.
"How it would revolutionize life if we could agree to have one day a year for complaining and be thankful the rest of the time! How much better than to try to be thankful one day by law and grumble by impulse for three hundred and sixty-four!"

THU 25

Pyle Memorial. (Taos, New Mexico), 1877.
Miss Hannah MacLennan, teacher.
There is decided opposition to the work at Taos, which is nevertheless earnestly prosecuted; and faithful work here as elsewhere shows encouraging results.

FRI 26

El Prado School. (Taos, New Mexico), 1877.
Misses E. W. Craig, Lucy Craig, teachers.
El Prado is a trying field, and for many years the teachers have been working against great odds. Nevertheless good work is being done, which will tell in future years.

SAT 27

Ranchos de Taos. (Ranchos de Taos, New Mexico), 1877.
Miss Alice Hyson, teacher.
To develop the mind and body is a great need of this people and has been the constant aim of our mission schools. The Bible applied to mind and heart is the only hope for the people.

SUN 28

Tierra Amarilla. (Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico), 1906.
Miss E. Josephine Orton, teacher.
This is the latest school to be organized among the Mexicans. During its short period of existence good work has been done. Rapid advancement is made in speaking English.

MON 29

Trementina School. (Trementina, New Mexico), 1901.
Miss Alice Blake, teacher.
This is one of the most lonely fields in New Mexico. Separated almost entirely from white associates, the school has for years carried on the work with zeal and earnestness.

TUE 30

December

Love

LOVE suffereth long and is kind; **love** *envieth not;* **love** *vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not its own, is not provoked, taketh not account of evil; rejoiceth not in unrighteousness, but rejoiceth with the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.* **Love** *never faileth. . .*

Now abideth faith, hope, **love**, *these three; and the greatest of these is*

Love

That ye, being rooted and grounded in **love**, *may be strong to apprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the* **love** *of Christ which passeth knowledge.*

(For references see I Cor. xiii: 4-8; Eph. iii: 17-19.)

WED. 1 **Abilene Presbytery** (Texas Synod) covers twenty-three counties in West Texas. Rich, growing country. Opportunities abundant. Need men for pioneer work.

I have loved thee with an everlasting love.—Jer. xxxi: 3.

THU. 2 **Amarillo Presbytery** reports encouraging progress. In the two years from 1906 to 1908 there was fifty per cent. increase in the number of self-supporting churches and one hundred per cent. increase in the number of pastorates.

Lovest thou Me?—John xxi:17.

FRI. 3 **Austin Presbytery.** Some good strong churches but a good many weak ones. Splendid opportunities for building strong centers.

Lord, Thou knowest all things: Thou knowest that I love Thee.—John xxi: 17.

"The Sunrise of the Bible"

LOVER of souls, indeed,
But Lover of bodies too,
Seeing in human flesh
The God shine through;
Hallowed be Thy name,
And, for the sake of Thee,
Hallowed be all men,
For Thine they be.

DOER of deeds divine,
Thou, the Father's son,
In all Thy children may
Thy will be done,
Till each works miracles
On poor, and sick, and blind,
Learning from Thee the art
Of being kind.

FOR Thine is the glory of love,
And Thine the tender power,
Touching the barren heart
To leaf and flower,
Till not the lilies alone
Beneath Thy gentle feet,
But human lives for Thee
Grow white and sweet.

"The birth of Jesus is the sunrise of the Bible. . . . From this point a new day began to flow very silently over the world—a day of faith and freedom, a day of hope and love. When we remember the high meaning that has come into human life and the clear light that has flooded softly down from the manger-cradle in Bethlehem of Judea, we do not wonder that mankind has learned to reckon history from the birthday of Jesus."

Dorland Institute. (Hot Springs, North Carolina), 1889.
Miss Julia E. Phillips, principal; Miss C. B. Pond, teacher.
Started on a very small scale as a day school for children of the village, Dorland Institute now comprises a boarding school for girls, "The Willows," a farm school for boys, and a day school.

WED 1

Dorland Institute.
Misses J. M. Foster, L. M. Shafer, E. Gosnold, teachers.
All the above-named departments are combined in class work. They give a clear idea of what the Presbyterian schools are intended to do for a community.

THU 2

Dorland Institute.
Miss M. H. Baskerville, music teacher; Miss G. Clendenin, sewing teacher; Misses E. Houghton, A. Woodruff, matrons.
The minutes of the Assembly show the number of churches, of ministers, and of church members now in the French Broad Presbytery whose existence is the direct outgrowth of mission school work.

FRI 3

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SAT. 4 **Brownwood Presbytery.** Twenty-two counties. Railways projected and people pouring in and willing to co-operate with the Church first on the ground.

Abide ye in My love.—John xv: 9.

SUN. 5 **Dallas Presbytery.** A strong presbytery but many weak churches that need encouragement and organization for efficient service.

If ye keep My commandments, ye shall abide in My love.—John xv: 10.

MON. 6 **Denton Presbytery.** A small, heroic and faithful presbytery. Needs a few men for vacant fields.

If a man love Me, he will keep My word.—John xiv: 23.

TUE. 7 **Forth Worth Presbytery.** A good presbytery but needs better organization of its forces and a clearer vision of their ability.

I will love him and will manifest Myself unto him.—John xiv: 21.

WED. 8 **Houston Presbytery.** We have only one self-supporting church. Our missionaries are well equipped men and abound in labors for Christ among a cosmopolitan population.

To them that love God all things work together for good.—Rom. viii: 28.

THU. 9 **Jefferson Presbytery.** A needy presbytery. Missionary territory. Takes in part of Louisiana. Faithful service is being rendered.

He that abideth in love abideth in God.—I John iv: 16.

FRI. 10 **Paris Presbytery.** This presbytery made a great advancement in its benevolences last year. Is now organizing for still better work. Need more ministers.

Love one another even as I have loved you.—John xiii: 34.

"Love is life, and they who do not love are not alive."

December

Dorland Institute. (The Willows.)
Mr. G. G. McLaury, farmer; Mrs. G. G. McLaury, matron.
In the schools of the presbytery you could see sixteen hundred children and young people, of whom more than five hundred are in boarding schools.

SAT 4

Burnsville Mission. (Burnsville, North Carolina), 1903.
Rev. R. H. Taylor, missionary.
"Our greatest ground of hope lies in the stock with which we have to do and the marvellous rehabilitating power that it possesses."

SUN 5

Jack's Creek School and Mission. (Day Book P. O., North Carolina), 1900.
Miss Mary Denlinger, missionary; Miss F. A. Nichols, teacher.
In addition to school class work Jacks Creek has very interesting Bible classes. There are also sewing and cooking courses.

MON 6

Jupiter School. (Alexander P. O., North Carolina), 1894.
Miss Harriet C. Dailey, teacher.
Churches and schools may be enumerated and their work tabulated, but there can be no record of what the mission school has accomplished in raising the standards of education and of Christian living.

TUE 7

Jupiter Mission. (Alexander P. O., North Carolina), 1894.
Rev. Albert Reid, missionary.
It took this mountain stock several generations to retrograde, but it requires only one to come back to the ancient patrimony.

WED 8

Pensacola School. (Athlone P. O., North Carolina), 1900.
Miss H. O. Hazlett, missionary; Miss Effie Bangle, teacher.
"The boys and girls of the mountains are naturally quick and have the strength of the hills in their hearts and brains."

THU 9

Reems Creek Mission. (Brankton P. O., North Carolina.)
Rev. H. P. Sanders, missionary.
"The young mountaineer has a strong and keen mind. He has a resolute and dauntless will. What he wishes to do, he will do without asking license."

FRI 10

December

SAT. 11 **San Antonio Presbytery.** A very needy field in south Texas. Has a mixed population and presents an open door for work among foreigners.

Let us not love in word, but in deed and in truth.—I John iii: 18.

SUN. 12 **Waco Presbytery.** The churches are generally well supplied, the work better organized, a deeper interest in home missions, and a prospect of larger offerings.

Every one that loveth is begotten of God.—I John iv: 7.

MON. 13 **Boisé Presbytery** (Utah Synod). The Government is putting in vast irrigation systems to reclaim Southern Idaho. Investors are buying lands and establishing towns and cities, looking toward future wealth and fertility. Our Church must awake to its opportunity. *Now* determines the future here.

He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love.—I John iv: 8.

TUE. 14 **Kendall Presbytery.** We need spiritually-minded men who can adapt themselves to conditions and who know the value of the Christ-life. Whole communities wait for earnest gospel preaching presented so as to apply to modern problems. When so received the response is inevitable.

If God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.—I John iv: 11.

WED. 15 **Utah Presbytery.** Utah is the heart of the mountain states and diseased to the core. Home missions has done much to civilize, Americanize, and Christianize this center, but much remains yet to be done. The Church dare not lessen her activity or her prayer.

Love worketh no ill to his labor.—Rom. xiii: 10.

THU. 16 **Bellingham Presbytery** (Washington Synod). A small presbytery with large work. This portion of the state is making rapid growth. The Church has been unable to keep up with the demand upon it. The fields are well equipped with men and the future is bright.

If we love one another, God abideth in us.—I John iv: 12.

FRI. 17 **Central Washington Presbytery.** Its greatest need is more missionaries. New fields are doing well. Older fields are pressing for self-support. In some places growth is demanding new and larger buildings. A pastor-at-large would be a great help.

His love is perfected in us.—I John iv: 12.

Bell Institute. (Barnard [Walnut P. O.], N. C.), 1897.
Miss Kate McNeil, principal; Miss Eula Gartrell, teacher.
Bell Institute has become a center of beneficent influence and has proved a powerful factor in the upbuilding of the surrounding country.

SAT 11

Bell Institute.
Misses N. Ogle, V. Thomas, M. McNeil, teachers.
We are trying to teach our girls everywhere, by precept and example, lessons of courtesy and kindness, of sincerity and faithfulness—in short, of daily Christian living.

SUN 12

Bell Institute.
Misses Jennie Buck, Ione Buck, matrons.
In the Industrial Home there are twenty-five bright, happy girls, willing and obedient. They are learning to sew and to keep a house in order.

MON 13

Hopewell School. (Walnut P. O., North Carolina.)
Miss Agnes C. Patton, teacher.
Hopewell day school is preparing for Bell Institute and has, like the Institute, the friendship and confidence of the entire people.

TUE 14

Mt. Neta School. (Walnut P. O., North Carolina.)
Miss Bertha Leonard, teacher.
Also a preparatory school for Bell Institute. "The great heart of the mountain people will beat gratefully and the future will cheerfully acknowledge the debt it owes to the old church of their fathers."

WED 15

Brittain's Cove. (Weaverville, North Carolina), 1892.
Miss Mena Remley, missionary.
"The bane of the mountains is due to the absence of education, and Christian education at that. The remedy, so far as there is a remedy, is to be found in Christian education."

THU 16

Normal and Collegiate Institute. (Asheville, N. C.), 1889.
Prof. E. P. Childs, president; Miss L. J. Robinson, principal; Misses Mary McNeil, E. M. Freley, teachers.
The Institute is known throughout North Carolina and has directly or indirectly influenced for good the whole of secondary education in the western half of the state.

FRI 17

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SAT. 18 **Olympia Presbytery.** Opportunities are calling on every side. We need money to enter every new field with our own chapel, and a wide-awake, up-to-date minister willing to plant himself and grow with the country. This means prayer, gifts and heroic sacrifice.

As the Father hath loved Me, I also have loved you.—John xv: 9.

SUN. 19 **Puget Sound Presbytery** is seeking to lead its churches on towards self-support and they are responding manfully. Home mission pastors and churches are urged to evangelistic work and contributing to all the Boards, as well as all the ordinary church work. Independence and efficiency are important watchwords.

He that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father.—John xiv: 21.

MON. 20 **Spokane Presbytery.** Ask for us a larger vision of home mission opportunity; a deeper conception of Christian privilege, rather than duty; a grander ideal for Christ's Kingdom, and that we may make a more heroic effort to perform our part in it.

My Father will love him, and we will come unto him.—John xiv: 23.

TUE. 21 **Walla Walla Presbytery** is the beginning point of mission work on the Coast. Our Indian work is remarkable. We are well established in the centers. Shifting population makes substantial growth slow. Mines, wheat, fruit, grazing land, invite settlers and finally the constant moving will cease.

The Father Himself loveth you, because ye have loved Me.—John xvi: 27.

WED. 22 **Wenatchee Presbytery.** Nearly twice the size of New Jersey. Pray that the allurement of quick riches may not blind incoming settlers to the things of the Spirit; and that means may be provided for giving the gospel to the sparse population of vast areas.

Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us.—I John iii: 1.

THU. 23 **Grafton Presbytery** (West Virginia Synod) gives thanks for the noble, self-sacrificing spirit of the men filling its difficult home mission posts; and asks prayer that they may be sustained and blessed in their work, and encouraged by the consciousness that the Church appreciates what they are doing.

Beloved, now are we children of God.—I John iii: 2.

FRI. 24 **Parkersburg Presbytery.** Work difficult and results often far from gratifying, because of the number of churches in a group and consequently infrequent service. The Presbyterian Church can not afford to neglect this work during these years of rapid development in this state.

We love, because He first loved us.—I John iv: 19.

"The love that leads life upward is the noblest and the best."

December

Normal and Collegiate Institute.
Misses M. F. Hickok, H. Townley, E. M. White, Grace Hamilton, teachers.
There are three courses of study, the Normal, the Commercial, and Domestic Science. The Institute is not only a school; it is a Christian home in which president and principal stand in place of parents.

SAT 18

Normal and Collegiate Institute.
Miss J. L. Huston, music teacher; Miss E. M. Sinclair, Bible teacher; Miss Anetta Davidson, assistant music teacher.
In the Institute the whole girl goes to school, head, hand and heart, and the after life of its graduates has abundantly shown how thorough the work has been.

SUN 19

Normal and Collegiate Institute.
Misses G. M. Price and L. B. Stuart, matrons; Miss E. Bickerstaffe, cooking teacher.
The girls are busy five hours a day with their recitations, but much more time is spent in earnest labor about the house, becoming housekeepers as well as teachers.

MON 20

Home Industrial. (Asheville, North Carolina), 1888.
Miss Florence Stephenson, principal; Miss Mary Johns, assistant principal.
"Susie, Luella, Iona, Martha, Cleo-Canary, Talitha Cumi and so on, with a whole dictionary of names. They come from mountain top, cove and hamlet," and are the pure mountain type.

TUE 21

Home Industrial.
Misses E. A. McKinstry, S. I. Allison, M. E. Trumpour, teachers.
"One pupil brought her home up to a comfortable condition, paid the tuition of sisters and brothers in our schools, and stands at the top of her profession—that of a trained nurse."

WED 22

Home Industrial.
Miss G. Conover, sewing teacher; Miss M. E. Griffith, matron; Miss J. Bundy, assistant matron.
"Often we have girls in school named Talitha Cumi. Are we saying to them, 'Talitha Cumi, arise, learn, love, shine as a light in the world'?"

THU 23

Pease House. (Asheville, North Carolina), 1907.
Miss Della Byerly, matron.
The "Pease House" for little girls, so long desired, is now giving shelter to many homeless, hopeless little ones, who will be here prepared for the Home Industrial.

FRI 24

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SAT. 25 **Christmas Day.**

"God so loved the world
that
He gave His only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth on Him should
not perish but have eternal life."

The love of Christ constraineth us.—II Cor. v: 14.

SUN. 26 **Wheeling Presbytery.** Our work is moving steadily. The country churches deserve great sympathy as they are constantly giving of their membership to the towns and cities. They and their pastors are especially worthy of the prayers of God's people.

Hereby know we love, because He laid down His life for us.—I John iii: 16.

MON. 27 **Chippewa Presbytery** (Wisconsin Synod—self-supporting). Northwestern section of state. Much undeveloped territory, but railroad development advanced in sections. Thirty churches; six with more than two hundred members each; twenty-one with less than one hundred members each. Marked home mission territory.

Keep yourselves in the love of God.—Jude 21.

TUE. 28 **La Crosse Presbytery.** Southwestern section of state. Eighteen churches; seven active pastors and supplies. Two organizations of more than one hundred members each. Grouping necessary to supply churches, and some pulpits still left vacant.

The love of God hath been shed abroad in our hearts.—Rom. v: 5.

WED. 29 **Madison Presbytery.** Southern portion of state. Poynette Academy and Beloit College have supplied numbers of ministers and missionaries. Madison seat of State University. Important Presbyterian work among students under care of synod. Forty-four churches, many small and partially supplied with preaching.

Perfect love casteth out fear.—I John iv: 18.

THU. 30 **Milwaukee Presbytery.** West coast of Lake Michigan. Milwaukee largest city, growing "famous" for other reasons than the one popularly assigned. Twelve churches in the city. Thirty-nine churches in presbytery; twenty with less than one hundred members each.

He that feareth is not made perfect in love.—I John iv: 18.

FRI. 31 **Winnebago Presbytery.** Northeastern section of state. Immense territory. Large tracts undeveloped. Extensive lake region and lumber country. Sixty-six churches,—several strong, many small; eight with more than two hundred members each; fifty-one with less than one hundred members. Many vacant or partially supplied.

The God of love and peace shall be with you.—II Cor. xiii: 11.

"Love in its last analysis is understanding."

December

Christmas Day. SAT 25

"Joy is essential to true religion. A gloomy religion is far from God. A sad gospel is a contradiction in terms, like a black sun. 'Behold,' said the Angel, 'I bring you glad tidings of great joy which shall be to all people.'"

The Farm School. (Farm School P. O., N. C.), 1893. SUN 26

J. P. Roger, M.D., superintendent; Mr. E. L. Clemens, principal.

Full to overflowing with many more anxious to gain admittance, is the usual state of things at the Farm School, which is first of all a school of various grades.

The Farm School. MON 27

Misses R. Thomas, E. B. Williams, J. F. Linn, teachers.

Secondly it is an industrial school, planned to train its students especially as farmers, but also as carpenters. The boys do most of the housekeeping also.

The Farm School. TUE 28

Miss F. A. Redway, teacher; Misses A. McArthur, Ida Custer, matrons.

The third object is not mentioned in its name, but it is all-pervasive in its life. That design is to make good Christians as well as good farmers.

The Farm School. WED 29

Misses Jessie Turner, S. J. Gamble, E. Shumard, matrons.

The three-fold design is happily realized. A steady supply of sturdy lads and manly young men is sent out into the mountains, showing well their training in all their bearing.

The Farm School. THU 30

Mr. E. A. Joslyn, farmer; Mr. F. J. Hay, carpenter.

Some pupils become ministers, teachers and business men, but as was hoped, many more return to their homes to practice and pass on to others the new ideas and ideals gained in the Farm School.

Summary of Work of the Woman's Board. FRI 31

Missions and mission schools, 166; missionaries and mission teachers, 442; boarding pupils, 2,342; day pupils, 7,715; total, 10,057; 141 Sunday Schools, with membership of 11,076; Young People's Societies, 3,235.

Now the God of Peace

that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great Shepherd of the Sheep,
through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

Make You Perfect

in every good work to do His will,

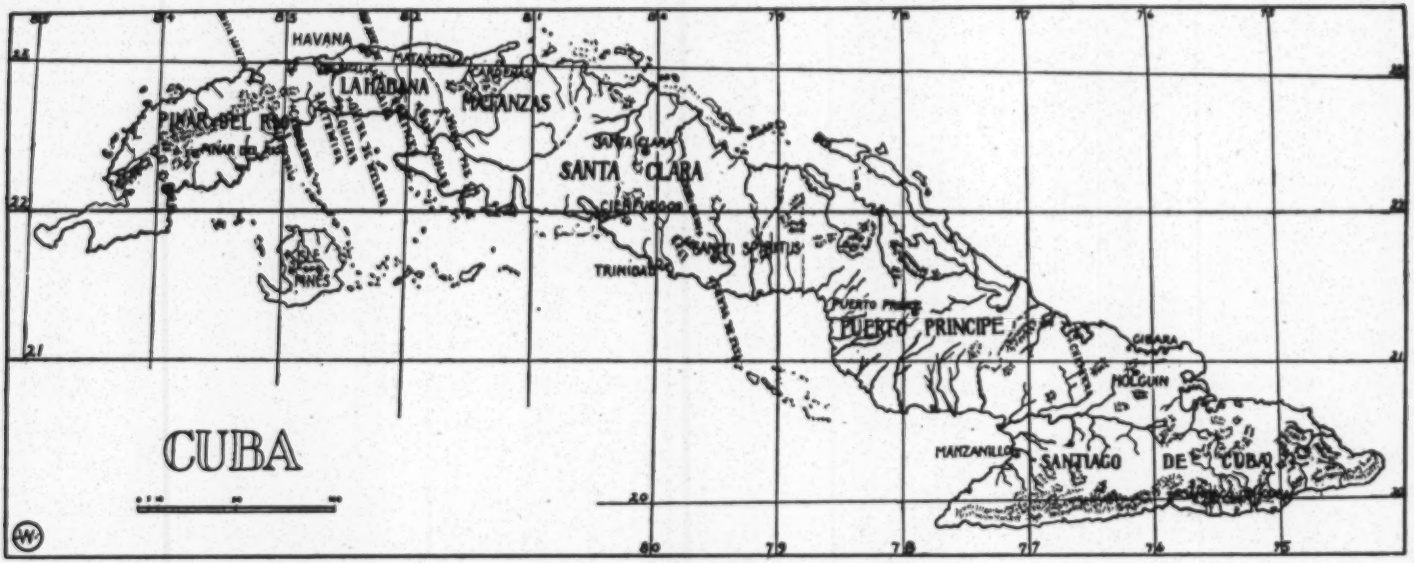
Working in You

that which is well pleasing in His sight,

Through Jesus Christ,

to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen.



PRESBYTERIAN MISSION CENTERS AND OUT-STATIONS—CUBA

Havana, ‡†*First Salud 40, *Regla, Maceo 60, Cêrro, Concordia, Puentes Grandes, Marianao, Vedado, *Bejucal (all within or adjacent to the city).

***Güines,** Gamara, Loma, San José de las Lajas.

***Nueva Paz,** San Nicolás.

***Güira.**

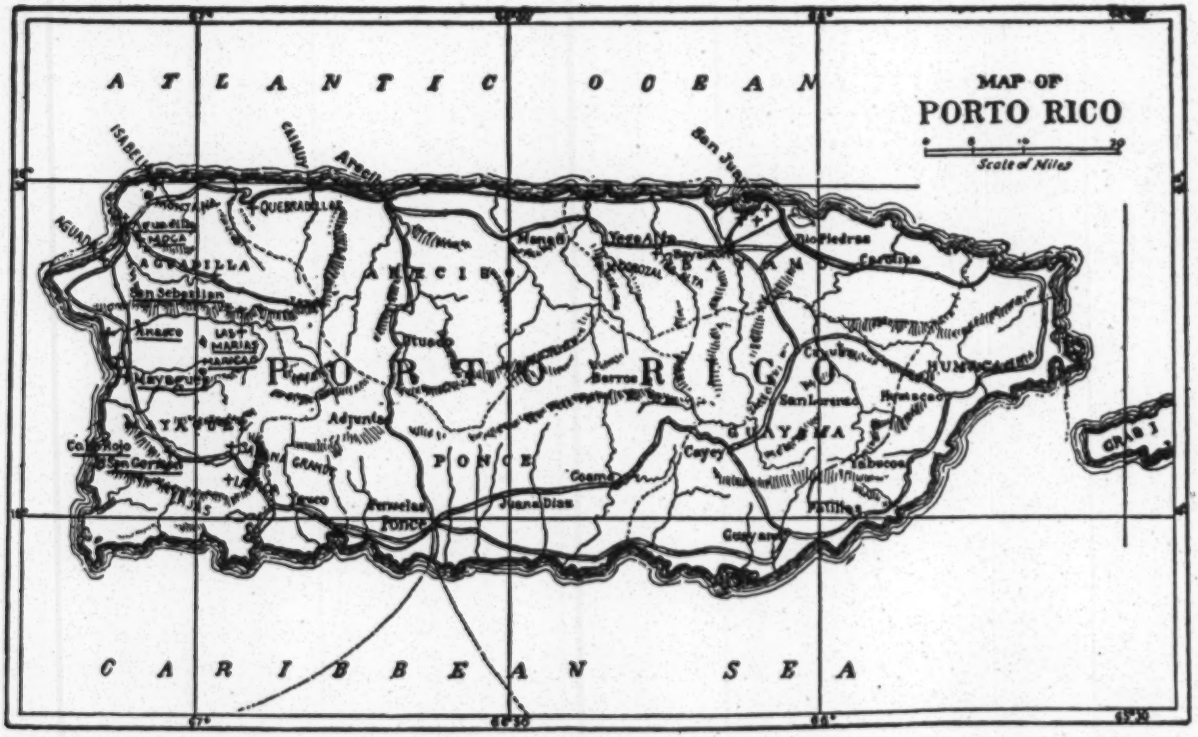
***Artemisa,** Cayajabos, Carlota, Rio Hondo, Minas, *San Cristobal.

***Sancti Spiritus,** §*Cabaiguán.

Bahia Honda, Buenaventura.

Eleven organized churches, 8 ordained ministers (4 natives), 3 licentiates, 25 stations, 3 theological students in Mexico City, 4 day schools, 10 teachers.

*Organized Church. †Church building. §Chapel. ‡Manse.



PRESBYTERIAN MISSION CENTERS AND OUT-STATIONS—PORTO RICO

‡†**San Juan,** *Second (Spanish), *Hugh O'Neill Memorial (American), *†Santurce (all within the city), Cangrejos Arriba, Melilla, Alta del Cabro, Gandul, Hormigueros, *Toa Alta, Candelaria, Espinosa, *†Corozal, *Naranjito, Barrio Nuevo.

*†‡**Isabela,** *Quebradillas, *§Jobos, Guerrero, El Coto, Mora, Terranova, La Montána, San José.

*†‡**Aguadilla,** La Cuesta, Palmar, Voladora, Espinal, *Moca, Aguada, Pueblo Nuevo, Guayabo, Corrales, Arenales, *§Maleza Alta, Ceiba Baja.

*†‡**San Sebastian,** §Goacio, Guajataca, Collaso, Sonador.

*†**Lares,** Buenos Aires, Baranco.

***Añasco,** *Sabanetas, *Rincon, Piñales, Tres Hermanos, Córsega.

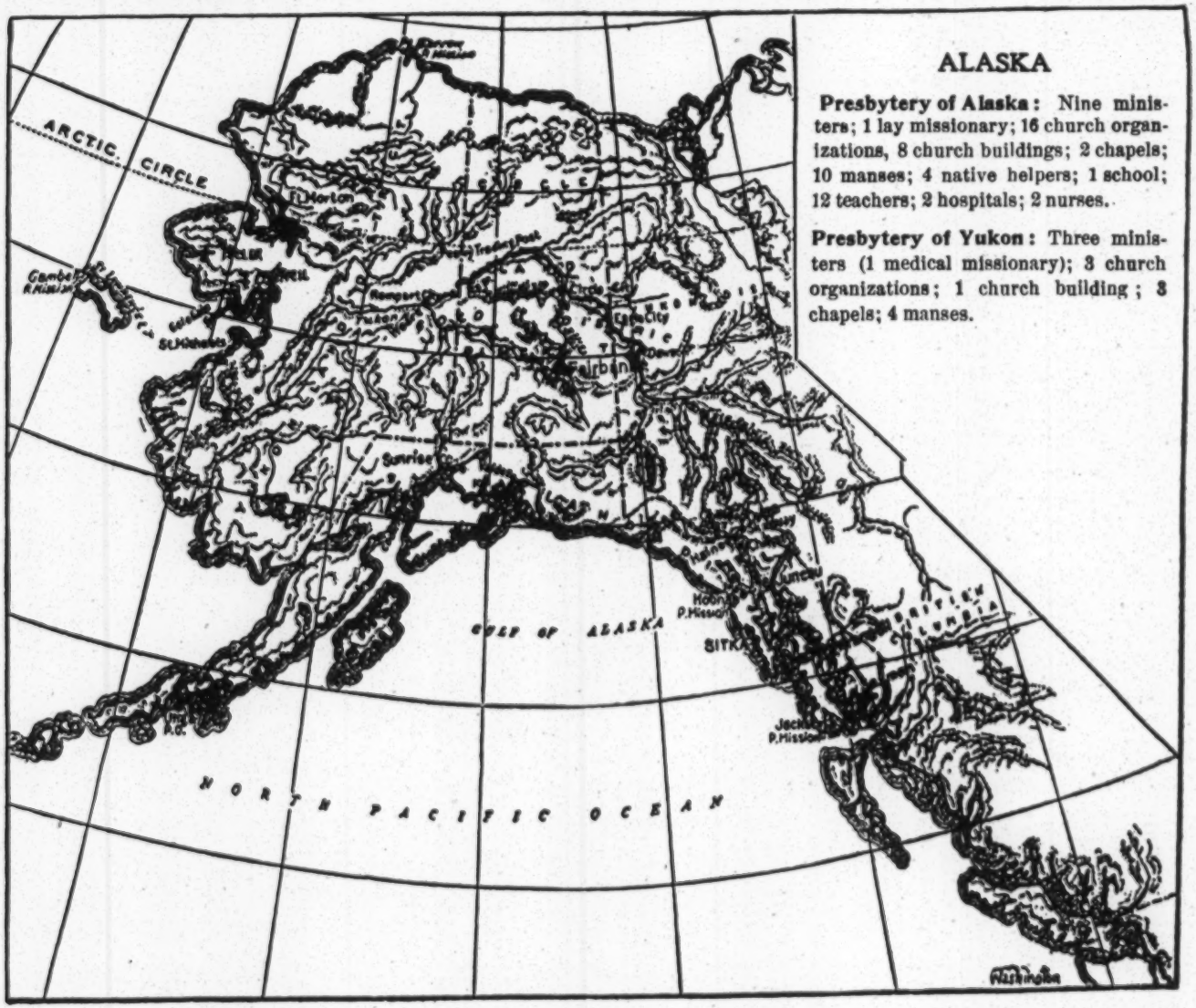
*†‡**Mayaguez,** §Balboa, Cuesta de las Piedras, Asilo, Carcel, Juan Alonzo, Rosario, Cuchilla, *Hormigueros, *§La Marina (Playa).

*†**Cabo Rojo,** Monte Grande, Las Delicias, Garita, Porto Real, Boqueron, Guaniquilla, Llanos Tunas, Maricao, Las Marias, Bucarabones.

*†‡**San German,** Santa Rosa, Ratira, Ancones, *Lajas, Palmarejo, Paris, Llanos, Santa Rosa Baja, Santa Rosa Arriba, Parguera, La Costa, Salinas, Centrale, Manillas, *Sabana Grande, *§La Pica, Machuchal, Santa Ana.

In nine years of effort we have 25 organized churches, 2,415 members, 7 missions schools, 570 scholars, a theological training school, 29 students, a hospital, 2 medical dispensaries.

*Organized church. †Church building. §Chapel. ‡Manse.



ALASKA

Presbytery of Alaska: Nine ministers; 1 lay missionary; 16 church organizations, 8 church buildings; 2 chapels; 10 manses; 4 native helpers; 1 school; 12 teachers; 2 hospitals; 2 nurses.

Presbytery of Yukon: Three ministers (1 medical missionary); 3 church organizations; 1 church building; 3 chapels; 4 manses.

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